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# 1987



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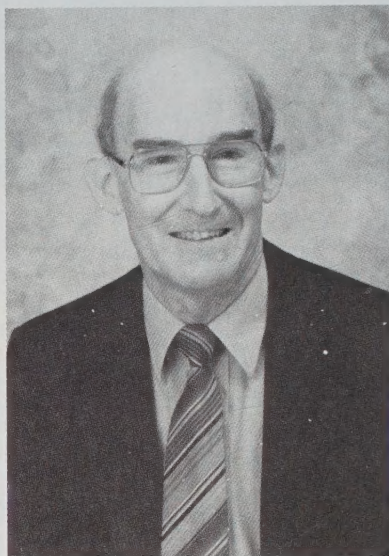
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**MINUTES**  
of the  
**ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-EIGHTH**  
**SYNOD**  
of the  
**REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**OF NORTH AMERICA**

**Calvin Seminary**  
**Grand Rapids, Michigan**  
**June 13-19, 1987**

**CHURCH HEADQUARTERS**  
**Mr. Louis D. Hutmire, Treasurer**  
**7418 Penn Avenue**  
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**WILLARD McMILLAN**  
Moderator of Synod—1987

**SATURDAY, JUNE 13, 1987, 7:30 P.M.**

The One Hundred Fifty-eighth Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment in the Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan, on June 13, 1987 at 7:30 p.m.

The Retiring Moderator, John McMillan, called the Court to worship God in the singing of Psalm 84-A, after which he led the Court in prayer. After the singing of Psalm 36-B and Psalm 119-Q, Robert Henning read God's Word from I Thessalonians 5, and the Court was led in prayer by Bruce C. Stewart. Mr. McMillan preached God's word on the theme "No Longer In the Darkness." He closed the time of worship by constituting the Court in prayer.

The Roll of Synod was made up and is as follows for all the meetings of Synod:

**ROLL OF SYNOD**

Adams, Greg, Westminster  
Adams, Roy, Eastvale  
Backensto, Bruce R.

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Basil, Fred, L., Sparta	
Birdsall, Donald, Los Angeles	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Blackwood, Roy, Jr., Second Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Blackwood, William, Marion	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Boyle, Samuel E.	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Braum, James, Denison	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Broadway, Bennett, San Diego	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Burke, David,	
Carson, David M., Eastvale	
Carson, James D., Los Angeles	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Carson, Norman M., Geneva College	
Caskey, Joseph M.	
Caskey, R. Wylie	
Catloth, Robert, Finance Committee	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Chamberlain, Douglas, Lisbon	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Chao, Charles, Taiwan	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Coon, David C., White Lake	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Coon, Philip L.	
Copeland, E. Clark, Seminary	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, Joe, Hays	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, Robert, College Hill	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Copeland, Stanley,	
Armed Service Chaplain	EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
Cornell, William	EXXXXXXXXXXXXXEE
Cretors, Frederick T.,	
Covenant Fellowship, Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Curtis, James D., Southfield	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Duffield, A. Wayne, New Alexandria	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Edgar, John O.	
Edgar, Kermit S.	
Edgar, William J., Broomall	XXXXXXXXXX
Elliott, D. Howard, Winchester	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Faris, Paul E.	
Felker, Donald	
Finley, Paul W., Walton	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Fisher, Thomas, Deacon Delegate	
Atlantic Presbytery	XXXXXXXXXXEEEE
Franklin, Godfrey	
Fulk, Donald, Second Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Fullerton, Robert,	
Ganz, Richard L., Ottawa	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Good, Ronald V., Washington	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Gouge, Donald W., Fresno	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Graham, Ronald, Minneola	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hanson, John, Southside Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Harrington, Milton, Hetherton	

Harrington, Harold B., Rose Point	XXXX XXXXXX
Hatfield, James R., Deacon Delegate	
Midwest Presbytery	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hemphill, Bruce C., Hays	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hemphill, E. Raymond	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hemphill, Robert L., Selma	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Henning, Robert A., Winchester	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hindman, J. Edward, Denison	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hoffman, Kenneth, Tusca	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Houston, Thomas, New Covenant	
Reformed Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Hutcheson, T. Richard	
Hutcheson, Thomas M.	
Joseph, Ralph, E., Superior-Beulah	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Joseph, Raymond P., Southfield	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Keddie, Gordon, New Covenant	
Reformed Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Kepple, Daniel	
Kilpatrick, Lester E.	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Kincaid, Garland, Covenant Fellowship,	
Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Lamont, Donald, Finance Committee	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Lamont, Joseph, Seattle	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Leach, Charles, Japan	
Leach, Jonathan, Elkins Park	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Long, David, West Lafayette	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Lowe, Duncan	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Magill, Keith, Southside Indianapolis	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, J. Bruce, Hebron	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, Melville W., Home for the Aged	
Martin, Paul, Phoenix	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Martin, Philip W., Phoenix	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Masunaga, Toshio, Higashisuma	
Mathews, R. Paul, Ogamaw	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McBurney, Kenneth, Almonte	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McCracken, D. Raymond,	
Coldenham-Newburgh	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McCracken, J. Paul, Colorado Springs	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McCracken, Paul D.	
McCracken, Robert, Manchester	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McElroy, June	
McFarland, Glenn E., Santa Ana	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McFarland, M. L., Ogemaw	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McFarland, Robert H., Topeka	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McFarland, William, Topeka	XXXXX XXXXXXXX
McMahan, Steven, Hebron	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX

McMahon, James, Greeley	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, John, Endwell	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, Robert, Fresno	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
McMillan, Willard, Geneva College	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Metcalfe, William, Finance Committee	XXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Meahl, Harry R., Endwell	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Metzger, Harry, Chicago	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Milligan, Harold, Lawrence	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Milroy, Jerrold S., Shawnee	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Mitchel, Waldo,	
Miwa, Nobuo, Kasumigaoka	
More, Robert Jr.	
Morrow, Robert	
Morton, James, Almonte	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
O'Neill, Jerry, Columbus	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Patterson, David R., Clarinda	XXXXXXXXXX
Patterson, Paul, First Beaver Falls	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Paul, Joseph, Armed Service Chaplain	EEEEEEEEEEEEEEEE
Peachy, David	
Pennington, James C.,	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Pihl, William H.	EXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Piper, Donald, Seattle	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Pitts, Edward	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Pockras, Philip, Belle Center	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Price, Thomas A. Jr., Sterling	
Price, George W.	
Reed, Donald, Sterling	XXXXXXXXXX
Reid, Thomas	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Rice, Robert	
Robb, G.M.	
Roberts, William, Bloomington	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Robson, Edward A., Syracuse	XXXXXEEEEEEEE
Rowe, Carter,	
Russell, Timothy, Geneva	XXXXXX XXXX XX
Schisler, Ed, Columbus	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Schmidtberger, Robert, Sharon	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Schott, Glenn, Deacon Delegate	
Presbytery of the Alleghenies	XXXXXXX
Schutz, Frank, Allegheny	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Simons, William, Elkins Park	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Alvin W., Sr.	
Smith, Dean R., College Hill	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, Kenneth G., Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Smith, John, Sharon	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Spear, Gene W., Japan	
Spear, Wayne R., Seminary	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX



Stegall, Ronald H., National Reform	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Sterrett, Charles S.	
Sterrett, Samuel B., Oakdale	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Sterrett, William J., Japan	
Stevenson, Floyd, Rose Point	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Stewart, Bruce C., North Hills	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Swartz, Walter, Oswego	
Takiura, Shigeru, Keiyaku	
Thompson, Harold,	
Tweed, John H., North Hills	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Tweed, Robert B., Anchorage	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Van Camp, Sidney, Aurora	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Van Osdol, Randall, Washington D.C.	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Watt, Jonathan, Cambridge	XXXXXX XXXXXXXX
Weilersbacher, Donald	
Weir, William, Allegheny	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wells, Brent, Deacon Delegate, Ohio-Illinois Presbytery	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
White, John H., Geneva College	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Willson, David, D., Geneva	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Willson, S. Bruce,	
Wilsey, Martin J., Westminster	
Wilson, Don A., Covenant Fellowship	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wilson, J. Paul,	
Wright, J. Renwick, Seminary	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wright, James M., Orlando	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Wright, R. Paul, Shawnee	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
Youn, Samuel, Japan	

Elder delegates without certificates were seated. Elders present who were not delegates were granted the privileges of the floor for all the meetings of Synod.

The following persons were introduced as ruling or teaching elder delegates to the Court for the first time: David Willson, Geneva; James D. Curtis, Southfield; John Hanson, Southside Indianapolis; J. Edward Pitts, Midwest Presbytery; James McMahon, Greeley; and William McFarland, Topeka.

The following deacons were introduced as delegates to Synod for the first time: Thomas Fisher, Atlantic Presbytery; James Hatfield, Midwest Presbytery; and Glenn Schott, Presbytery of the Alleghenies.

The following officers were elected for this meeting of Synod: Willard McMillan, Moderator; Paul M. Martin, Clerk; Jonathan Leach, Assistant Clerk.

The Memorial Service was held. The deaths of the following ruling elders were noted: Albert David McCrory, Denison; Howard Gilchrist, Walton; Merle E. Wilson, Rose Point; Raymond P. Joseph, Hopkinton; Edwin C. Clarke, College Hill; John M. Hays, Sharon.

The deaths of Anna Patton McKelvy, wife of former Pastor R. Hays McKelvy, and of Margaret White, wife of former pastor Paul White, were noted.

The Court was led in the memorial prayer by J. Paul McCracken.

The Report of the Clerk of Synod was taken up. Items 1-4 were adopted. Item 5 was laid on the table until after the report of the Board of Education and Publication. Item 6 was adopted.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by the Moderator.

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 1987, 8:30 A.M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment in Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan on June 15, 1987 at 8:30 a.m.

The Court was constituted in prayer by the Moderator.

The Roll was called.

Duncan Lowe led the Court in worship. After the singing of Psalm 115-A Mr. Lowe addressed the Court on the theme "Vital Worship." Following prayer by John Smith the Court sang Psalm 115-B.

The Minutes were read, corrected and adopted.

The following papers were presented to the Court:

87-1 concerning the matter of mission churches was referred to the members of the Committee to Rewrite the Directory of Church Government who are present at this meeting of Synod to report to this meeting of Synod.

87-2 concerning a partnership program in investing denominational resources in local congregations and expanding their ministry was referred to a committee composed of members of the Board of Home Missions and Board of Trustees of Synod. The Committee is Robert McFarland and Keith Magill of the Home Mission Board and Donald Birdsall and Joseph Lamont of the Board of Trustees of Synod. They are to report back to this meeting of Synod.

87-3 concerning the meaning of "the husband of one wife" in regard to the eldership was referred to the Judicial Committee.

**87-4 concerning a skeleton Synod in conjunction with the Carleton Family Conference in 1988 was placed on the agenda following the Report of the Board of Education and Publication.**

**The Committees to be appointed by the Moderator were announced and are as follows:**

### COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

Nominating Committee	Judicial Committee
Wayne Duffield, Chairman	Joseph Lamont, Chairman
Edward Hindman	Ed Schisler
Kenneth McBurney (2 yrs)	Randall Van Osdol
David Long (2 yrs)	James Wright
Joe Copeland	David Coon
Paul Patterson	Philip Pockras
Resolution of Thanks	Committee to Canvass the Overtures
William Simons	William Weir
Raymond Joseph	Robert Tweed
	Douglas Chamberlain

### COMMITTEES TO REVIEW RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

Allegheny	Iowa
Samuel Sterrett	M. L. McFarland
James Morton	Thomas Houston
Ronald Graham	R. Paul Mathews
Midwest	New York
Paul Finley	Robert Schmidtberger
John Hanson	Gordon Keddie
Keith Magill	E. Raymond Hemphill
Ohio-Illinois	Pacific Coast
Donald Birdsall	D. Howard Elliott
D. Raymond McCracken	Donald Fulk
Lester Kilpatrick	Duncan Lowe
St. Lawrence	Japan Commission
Robert Copeland	J. Renwick Wright
Bruce Hemphill	Donald Gouge
David Paterson	Ralph Joseph



The Report of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College was presented by Wayne Spear, Chairman of the Board. Items 1 and 2 were adopted. In keeping with Item 2 Kenneth Smith, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College addressed the Court on their behalf. Item 3 was adopted. In keeping with that Item Joseph McFarland, President of Geneva College, addressed the Court. Item 4 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 5 was referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted. It and the Report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College follow.

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE

The Board of Corporators expresses its praise to the Lord Jesus Christ for His care, leading, and gracious provision in the life and work of Geneva College this past year. We acknowledge with much appreciation the effective leadership of President McFarland, the administration, faculty and staff in the task of providing a Christian Education with a view to the integration of faith and learning.

The Board met twice during the year. On October 9, 1986 there was a special meeting of the Board to consider and adopt the revision of the Charter and By-laws of the College. The Board heard from Dr. McFarland concerning two new documents, "A Brief Statement of the Background and Purposes of Geneva College" for prospective Trustees, and the "Strategic and Tactical Plan" of the College. The Board also heard remarks from the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Kenneth G. Smith, regarding the work of the Trustees.

The Board held its regular annual meeting on June 13, 1987 at Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Dr. McFarland addressed the Board concerning certain special programs, such as the new Professional Psychology degree program, the Tuition Gift Certificate Program, and other matters relating to the life and work of the College.

In line with the adoption of a new Charter and By-laws, the Corporators are in a three-year process of implementing the amended number of persons on the Board of Trustees. Accordingly, there will be 18 persons representing the R. P. Church, five will be elected from alumni nominated by the Alumni Association, and eight Trustees will be elected from those nominated by the Board of Trustees.

The following persons were elected to the board of Trustees in the Class of 1990: Nominated by the Board of Trustees: Dennis Bakke, Margueritte Pendergast; Nominated by the Alumni Association: Walter J. Helsing; Representing the Reformed Presbyterian Church: Robert Baumgartner, Wendell F. McBurney, Donald Reed, Kenneth G. Smith, Christopher Wright.

The following were elected to the Board of Corporators in the Class of 1990: James D. Carson, Jerry O'Neill, Robert Tweed, Robert Willson.

The following were elected as officers of the Board of Corporators: Wayne R. Spear, Chairman; Robert Baumgartner, Vice Chairman; A. Wayne Duffield, Secretary; Doug Carson, Treasurer.

In recognition of their long and valuable service to the Board of Trustees the Corporators granted the status of Trustee Emeritus to Jennie Park and William Metcalfe.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the Report of the Board of Trustees be received.
2. That Kenneth G. Smith be heard in behalf of the Board of Trustees.
3. That Dr. Joseph McFarland be heard on behalf of the Geneva College Administration.
4. That Timothy Russell be elected by the Synod to the Board of Corporators.
5. That approval be granted by the Synod for the "Catalyst for Growth" Campaign.

Respectfully submitted,  
A. Wayne Duffield

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE

It is with a deep sense of gratitude to God for His constant guidance and provision that we submit this report for the academic year, 1986-87.

The College, through the leadership of the President and his cabinet, has undertaken the development of a strategic planning process that will become an integral part of Geneva's management scheme. This Strategic and Tactical Plan should lead to a clearer understanding of the College's goals and provide a framework for their achievement through the allocation of our resources. It has been well received by all concerned.

Approval has been granted to establish a graduate program to grant a Master's Degree in Professional Psychology. Applications for enrollment in this program are now being processed and the program is to begin in the Fall of 1987.

The fall enrollment consisted of 971 full-time and 89 part-time students for a total of 1060; the second semester enrollment was 927 full-time and 96 part-time students for a total of 1023; 278 students were graduated at the 1987 Commencement exercises; 267 received bachelor's degrees and 11 received associate degrees.

Trustee scholarship recipients were Rodney Brant, Barbara Saylor, Richard Stauffer and Leslie Varos.

The operating budget adopted for 1986-87 year showed Total General Fund Revenue of \$10,903,500.00, and Total General Fund Expenditures/Transfers of \$10,902,555.00. The actual gift income applied to the operating budget as of May 18, 1987 was \$194,904.11.

Tuition for the 1987-88 school term has been set at \$5,450.00 and Room and Board at \$2,820.00.

The Catalyst for Growth Campaign is proceeding on schedule. Trustee John Snowberger is Campaign chairman, and as of May 18, 1987, \$3,716,465.00 had been received in cash and pledges.

The revision of the Charter and By-Laws has been completed. It has been filed in the appropriate state office and the printed copy is now available for distribution.

In preparation for the 1988 visit of a Middle States Accreditation Team the College is now engaged in an Institutional Self-Study. In connection with the institutional self-study, the Board of Trustees voted to proceed with an evaluation of itself. A self-evaluation form prepared by the American Association of Colleges and University Governing Board will be completed by each Board member. The results are to be tabulated and studied by the Board.

We have initiated a standing committee composed of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, the Chairman of the Board of Corporators and the President of the College, whose responsibility will be to provide and review names of candidates to be nominated for Board membership. As a standing committee, the Selection Team, as it is called, will maintain a file of persons who might at an appropriate time be nominated to serve on the Board. All nominations will continue to be made through the channels called for in the By-Laws. In this regard, we would respectfully request the Board of Corporators indicate whether membership in oath-bound secret societies should be a factor in being nominated to be a Trustee.

Initial work has begun for the preparation of a Trustee Handbook.

The entire College community was saddened by the death of Dr. Edwin C. Clarke, President Emeritus, on February 17, 1987 following an extended illness. He served as President from 1956 to 1980 and returned as Acting President from August 1983 until June of 1984.

Board officers for 1986-87 have been Kenneth G. Smith, Chairman; Wendell McBurney, Vice-Chairman; Jean L. Hemphill, Secretary; and Walter Helsing, Treasurer. Meetings of the Board were held on October 10, 1986; January 30, 1987, and May 8, 1987.

Three members of the Board who have served faithfully for many years have requested that they not be re-elected. Jennie Park has been a member of the Board since 1955; William Metcalfe was elected to the Board in 1957 and Frank Morrow began his service in 1978 and for most of that time has been chairman of the Development Committee.



The values of the College property and endowment fund are:

	1985 (Audit of 5-31-85)	1986 (Audit of 5-31-86)
Land	\$ 1,528,726	\$ 1,613,500
Buildings	36,275,792	36,634,673
Equipment & Furnishings	<u>4,443,783</u>	<u>4,553,773</u>
	\$42,248,301	\$42,801,946
Market Value of Endowment	8,237,832	10,757,320
Size of Campus	(112.208 acres)	(112.208 acres)

The 1987 Commencement exercises were held in Reeves Stadium on Saturday, May 8, 1987, at which time Mr. Charles Colson was the speaker. The Baccalaureate service was held on Friday evening, May 7, and three fathers of graduating seniors spoke: Rev. Robert C. Hewitt, Rev. Robert McCracken, and Rev. Thomas E. Tyson.

At the 1987 Commencement exercises the honorary degree of Doctor of Public Service was conferred on Mr. Charles Colson.

The terms of the following Trustees expire this year and their successors should be chosen: Representing the Church: Robert Baumgartner, Wendell McBurney, William Metcalfe, Jennie Park, Donald Reed, Kenneth G. Smith and Christopher Wright; Representing the Alumni: Walter J. Helsing; Trustee Nominated: Frank J. Morrow, Margueritte Pendergast.

Mr. Dennis Bakke and Mrs. Margueritte Pendergast have been nominated by the Board as Trustee nominees in the Class of 1990, and these nominations have already been forwarded to the secretary of the Board of Corporators.

Mr. Donald Reed has been appointed to represent the College before Synod's Finance Committee, and the request to Synod is for \$30,000.00 and half of the income from the Cecil MacLaughlin Trust.

In connection with your report to the Synod we would respectfully request (1) that approval be granted by the Synod for the College to solicit gifts from the R.P. Churches for the "Catalyst for Growth" Campaign; (2) that Dr. Joe McFarland be granted the opportunity to address the Synod on behalf of Geneva College.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth G. Smith, President  
Jean L. Hemphill, Secretary

Louis Hutmire presented the Report of the Stated Clerk. Following some discussion of the Report the Court was led in prayer for renewal in the denomination by Dean Smith. The Report was adopted and is as follows:

**THE REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK**

Listed below are the statistics of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America. These statistics are completed from reports submitted by the clerks of congregations through their presbytery clerks.

**MEMBERSHIP**

	<b>12/31/85</b>	<b>12/31/86</b>
Communicant Members	3,808	3,757
Baptized Members	<u>1,337</u>	<u>1,354</u>
Total Members	<b>5,145</b>	<b>5,111</b>

**Increases:**

By Baptism	111	126
By profession of faith	89	102
From other R.P. Congregations	85	91
From other denominations	51	54
Other	<u>63</u>	<u>30</u>
Total Increase	<b>399</b>	<b>403</b>

**Decreases:**

Deaths	37	59
To other R. P. Congregations	105	103
To other denominations	157	120
Final Removal	103	80
Other	<u>104</u>	<u>75</u>
Total Decrease	<b>506</b>	<b>437</b>

Baptized children making public profession	<b>46</b>	<b>39</b>
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**CONGREGATIONS**

Congregations	71	71
Mission Stations	5	6
Men under care of presbyteries	15	16
Licensed to preach	2	3
Elders	275	273
Deacons	260	247
Missionaries	9	8
Sabbath School, average attendance	2,898	2,913
Sabbath Worship	3,948	3,908
Young People's Societies members	241	181

## CONGREGATIONAL FINANCES

	12/31/85	12/31/86
Beginning Balances	\$ 476,321	\$ 625,106
Receipts	3,365,628	3,476,312
Disbursements:		
Pastors' Salaries and Comp.	1,350,214	1,328,392
R.P. Missions and Ministry	237,572	234,260
Other R.P. Works	251,159	219,547
Other	1,367,531	1,628,991
Total Disbursements	<u>3,206,476</u>	<u>3,411,190</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$ 635,473</u>	<u>\$ 690,228</u>

## MISSION STATIONS ORGANIZED

Winsted, Connecticut

03/28/87

## MINISTERS

	1985	1986	Pastors	Other Church Work	Retired	Other
Presbytery						
Alleghenies	31	31	11	10	8	2
Atlantic	7	9	5		1	3
Iowa	3	3	3			
Midwest	33	30	12	4	8	6
Ohio-Illinois	25	24	10	4	1	9
Pacific Coast	8	9	5	2	1	1
St. Lawrence	12	11	7	1	1	2
Japan	4	4	4			
Totals	<u>123</u>	<u>121</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>23</u>

## MINISTERS INSTALLED

Jonathan Watt	Cambridge	05/30/86
J. Paul McCracken	Colorado Springs	07/01/86
Robert McCracken	Manchester	09/05/86
Martin Wilsey	Westminster	10/06/86
Douglas Chamberlain	Lisbon	10/07/86

## MINISTERS ADDED TO THE ROLL OF PRESBYTERY

William Smith	Atlantic	06/28/86
David Armstrong	Ohio-Illinois	07/14/86



**MINISTERS RELEASED FROM PASTORAL CHARGES**

Jonathan Watt	Manchester	02/14/86
Carter Rowe	Syracuse	03/04/86
Douglas Chamberlain	Ridgefield Park	03/28/86
J. Paul McCracken	Westminster	03/31/86
William Pihl	Clarinda	04/15/86
Donald Weilersbacher	San Diego	06/30/86
Duncan Lowe	New Covenant R. F.	07/27/86
Robert LaMay	Topeka	08/31/86
Ronald Stegall	Lawrence	08/31/86
Martin Wilsey	Eastvale	08/31/86
James Pennington	Greeley	09/19/86

**MINISTERS REMOVED BY DEATH**

D. Ray Wilcox	01/12/86
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**MINISTERS REMOVED FROM THE ROLL**

Robert La May	Midwest	08/31/86
Paul Hindman	Midwest	09/11/86
Mark Charlton	Alleghenies	10/25/86

**DEATHS OF RULING ELDERS**

T. Andrew Price	Coldenham-Newberg	03/87/86
Barry D. Clawson	New Alexandria	03/29/86
Robert C. Keys	Winchester	06/13/86
Maxey Crawford	Selma	06/23/86
Henry E. McKelvy	North Hills	07/13/86
Albert McCrory	Denison	08/24/86
Merle E. Wilson	Rose Point	10/16/86

**LICENTIATES**

Christian Adjemian  
Fredrick Basil  
James McMahan

**THEOLOGICAL STUDENTS**

Andrews Amoh	Alleghenies
Gerald Bowyer	Alleghenies
Anthony Cowley	Alleghenies
Robert Dalbey	Alleghenies

Gerald Dodds	Alleghenies
Daniel Kiehl	Alleghenies
Keith Kusbit	Alleghenies
Timothy McCracken	Alleghenies
Donald Cassell	Atlantic
Brian Randazzo	Atlantic
Kelly Moore	Midwest
Robert Willson	Midwest
Fredrick Basil	Ohio-Illinois
Christian Adjemian	St. Lawrence
Andrew Schep	St. Lawrence
Iain Speirs	St. Lawrence

### ADDENDA

Gordon Keddie Received and Installed, New Covenant R. F.  
02/06/87

Raymond Joseph Installed, Southfield. 02/06/87

Fredrick Basil Ordained and Installed, Sparta. 04/03/87

James McMahon, Ordained and Installed, Greeley. 05/05/87; 05/20/87

David Patterson, Appointed Stated Supply, Clarinda. 01/16/87

Robert McFarland, Installed, Topeka. 06/03/87

Edward Pitts, Received on Roll of Midwest Presbytery. 01/16/87

Robert Fullerton, Released from pastoral charge, First Beaver Falls.  
03/31

David Burke, Released from pastoral charge, Quinter. 06/01/87

Robert Tweed, Released from pastoral charge, Anchorage.

David R. Armstrong, Removed from Roll of Presbytery. 03/04/87

Robert Willson, Licensed to Preach. 01/16/87

Death of Ruling elders: John Milford Hays, Sharon. 05/14/87

Edwin C. Clarke, Gollege Hill. 02/17/87

Raymond P. Joseph, Hopkinton. 05/21/87

Signed, Louis D. Hutmire, Stated Clerk

**The Report of the Trustees of Synod was presented by Joseph Lamont. Items 1-3 were referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 4-7 were referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 8 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF SYNOD

The Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America held three regular meetings since the last meeting of Synod. Attendance for these meetings was 96%. The members (in class

order) are: 1987 - John Duke, Robert McCrory and Alan Windham; 1988 - Donald Birdsall, Louis Hutmire and Joseph Lamont; 1989 - John Mitchell, Jerry O'Neill and Edward Robson. The terms of the three members from the class of 1987 expire at this meeting of Synod. John Duke is not eligible for re-election because of Synod's two-term rule, and Robert McCrory has requested that he not be renominated, so the only one eligible to be renominated is Alan Windham. The Board is recommending that he be renominated.

The Trustees of the Synod have been incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania since 1870, so work within the charter. The Trustees are responsible for investing all funds of the denomination which include endowment funds, unrestricted designated funds, custodian funds, trust funds and unrestricted undesignated funds. The Audit Report, which is distributed at Synod, lists the portfolio of securities held by the Trustees as of December 31, 1986. The carrying (book) value was \$4,532,674 and the market value was \$7,547,502. Paine Webber Jackson and Curtis continues to be our investment advisor, but the securities are held by the Trustees and all sales or purchases must be approved by the Investment Committee prior to the sale or purchase. In addition to securities, \$516,875 was invested in mortgages as of December 31, 1986, most of it being loans within the denomination. The expenses of the Unallocated Denominational Office are paid from the income on these investments and all of the remaining income is distributed to the departments of the church that own the funds and is spent in their current budgets. This is a substantial source of income to the departments that have invested funds. According to the Audit Report, \$318,295 of investment income was distributed to the boards of the church in 1986. The investment income was 38.47 cents per unit in 1985 and 39.89 cents per unit in 1986. The market value of the unit was \$8.12 on December 31, 1985 and \$9.29 on December 31, 1986.

After a few years of study, the Trustees have adopted a "Special Investment Pool" (SIP) program. The purpose is to set aside a portion of our funds to invest in organizations and businesses which clearly have a "kingdom" orientation in their ownership and/or purpose. The intent is not only to have the income from investments working for Christ's Kingdom but also to have the principal invested with those who seek to serve Him. The policy statement is attached as an appendix to our report. As of our April 25, 1987 meeting, we have approved three loans under this program.

The 1986 Synod received a paper (#86-2) from the Iowa Presbytery which was referred to the Trustees of Synod with the instruction to report to the 1987 Synod. The Sharon Session, which initiated this paper, "petitioned the 1986 Synod to consider using its investments in such a manner that would invest in our congregations and our people rather than simply relying on the market for its investments." The Trustees, through the chairman of the S.I.P. program, have communicated with the Sharon Ses-

sion and explained our S.I.P. program to them. They agree that this program is moving in the direction they were expressing in their paper and accept this as a satisfactory answer to their concerns.

The Trustees continue to administer the Building Loan Funds which were previously administered by the Board of Church Election. This money has been set aside by Synod to assist congregations, presbyteries, mission boards, pastors and full-time employees of Synod in building projects. As of December 31, 1986, \$377,393 were on loan and \$95,687 is available to be loaned. *The Statement of Purpose, Job Description and Policies and Procedures* for this fund are printed in the Appendix to the 1979 *Minutes of Synod* on pages 170 -173. Applications are available from the Denominational Treasurer's Office. In 1986-87, we made loans to the following congregations: Fresno, California; Cambridge, Massachusetts; Orlando, Florida and the new work in Washington, D.C.

The Trustees, through their Stewardship Committee, promote and receive contributions for Synod's Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry program (formerly Synod's budget). The following chart shows 1986 figures in comparison to 1985:

#### Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry

	1985	1986	1987
Budget: Contributions	\$315,000	\$330,000	\$333,000
Undesignated Funds	<u>50,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>
Total	<u>\$365,000</u>	<u>\$430,000</u>	<u>\$433,000</u>
Receipts: Contributions:			
Congregations	237,805	229,427	
Synodical	29,116	26,708	
Other	<u>17,651</u>	<u>5,221</u>	
Total	<u>284,572</u>	<u>261,356</u>	
Undesignated Funds	<u>50,000</u>	<u>100,000</u>	
Total Receipts	<u>334,572</u>	<u>361,356</u>	
Ending Balance	<u>(\$ 30,428)</u>	<u>(\$ 68,644)</u>	

Synod needs to understand the implications of the \$68,644 deficit at December 31, 1986 arising from decreased and inadequate giving to R.P.M. & M.

One obvious course of action is to use undesignated funds in 1987 to absorb this deficit which is what has been done in past years. However, there are not sufficient undesignated funds (known as of now) to provide for this deficit and for commitments made by previous Synods. The question can be simply stated: Should Synod's spending be reduced in 1987 in order to honor previous commitments or should the commitments themselves be reduced? Specific information follows:



The estimation of undesignated funds to be available in 1987		\$215,165
Approved by the 1986 Synod for 1987 R.P.M. & M.	\$100,000	
Approved by the 1986 Synod for Graduate Study Program	27,035	
Approved by the 1986 Synod for Geneva College (50% of Income - total estimate - \$80,000)	<u>40,000</u>	
		167,035
Unallocated - available for 1986 Deficit		<u>\$ 48,130</u>

Therefore, we are recommending that the deficit of \$68,644 be taken from Undesignated Funds and that the allocation to Geneva College be reduced to \$20,000, unless additional undesignated funds are received in 1987 which would make the original maximum allocation of 50% possible (see recommendation 7 below ).

Another aspect of the work of the Stewardship Committee is to encourage people to include the church, both local and denominational, in their wills. Many contribute through their wills to specific boards or committees, but undesignated funds left to the church can be directed by Synod to the areas where it is needed most at that particular time. In 1986, we received bequests from: Hattie Dodds DeVries, Michigan; Ina P. Dudley, Colorado; James Fullerton, Michigan; Wilhelmain Geddes, Florida; Anna M. Johnston, California; Cecil J. MacLaughlin, California; Kathryn Marshall, California; Kitchen & Patterson Funds; Clarissa W. Morrow, Ohio; Margaret H. Redpath, Pennsylvania; Alice Robb, California; and Ruth Smith, Indiana. \$5,225 was designated for the Foreign Mission Board, \$1,500 to the Home Mission Board, \$43,970 to the Seminary and \$182,047 was undesignated for a total of \$232,742. The designated bequests went directly to the boards designated and therefore are included in their financial report for 1986. The undesignated bequests are included in the attached report on Undesignated Funds and will be distributed by this Synod.

The Trustees, on behalf of the Foreign Mission Board, hold assets in Cyprus in the range of \$500,000-\$600,000. The funds are restricted and only 5,000 pounds (\$10,000), plus interest can be taken out of Cyprus each year. The Trustees are working on three different approaches in trying to advance the availability of these funds.

The Trustees carry a liability insurance policy which will cover Synod in some situations. This umbrella liability insurance uses the property insurance policy purchased for the Seminary as a base. We also have a Blue Cross/Blue Shield health insurance group plan which is available to

all full-time employees of the denomination and congregations. We are currently investigating to see whether another insurance company can give us better coverage and/or better rates. Three companies have been contacted but no specific offers have been received. If you are interested in our program, please contact us at the Denominational Office.

At Synod's instruction, we carry a blanket travel/accident insurance policy which covers anyone traveling on church business for Synod or Presbytery, including committee meetings. If you are injured while traveling on church business, please contact the Denominational Office for details on this insurance.

The Trustees of Synod have been contacted by the Home Mission Board regarding a "Partnership Expansion Program" whereby building grants could be made to growing congregations. The Trustees endorse the principle of this program and have appointed Joseph Lamont and Donald Birdsall to serve on a joint committee of the Trustees and the Home Mission Board. This committee will develop recommendations for the requirements, procedures and funding of this program.

Deloitte Haskins & Sells has again audited the financial statements this year. As per the Audit Report distributed at this Synod, please note that the assets of the denomination total \$5,977,577 as of December 31, 1986. Also note on page 5 that our total expenses for 1986 were \$1,255,322.

Wesleski Transfer, Inc., has offered us a group rate for moving services wherein they will give us a 28% discount on moving household goods and a 25% discount on warehouse handling and storage.

All claims will be handled from their office in Pittsburgh. We are not bound to their offer. If you are interested, you would call their office and identify yourself as being from the RPCNA. They would give a bid on your moving and if you accepted their bid, they would move you and send the bill to the Denominational Treasurer's Office. There would be no deposit required and no money to pay at the completion of the move. The Denominational Treasurer's Office will then bill the employee, congregation or department.

This would be available to all ministers and employees of Synod and could be made available to all members of the denomination. Ministers or full-time employees would need to notify the Denominational Treasurer's Office of their plan to move and who would be responsible for the bill.

Other denominational members would contact their local session and/or deacon board who in turn would notify the Denominational Treasurer's Office about the person who is moving, who is responsible for paying the bill and that they will vouch for the person(s) involved. The billing would be the same as described above but in case of default in payment, the local congregation would be responsible for payment.

The Lord continues to bless us. While we may not do as well as we might desire in one area, He prospers us in another. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

**Recommendations:**

1. We recommend that Alan Windham be renominated for the Board and John P. Edgar, Sandra Johns, and Steven McMahan also be nominated to fill the vacancies on Synod's Board of Trustees.
2. We recommend that Louis D. Hutmire, whose term as Stated Clerk, expires at this meeting of Synod, be re-elected for another three year term.
3. We recommend that Louis D. Hutmire, whose term as Denominational Treasurer expires at this meeting of Synod, be re-elected for another three year term.
4. We recommend that the 1986 Treasurer's Report be received for information.
5. We recommend that the 1986 Audit Report be accepted as distributed and printed in the Minutes of Synod.
6. We recommend that the Proposed 1988 Budget for the Unallocated Denominational Offices Expense be approved, which includes the salary for the Denominational Treasurer.
7. We recommend that the Report on Unrestricted Undesignated Funds be received. This would include \$68,644 being paid to offset the 1986 R.P.M. & M. deficit and that the allocation to Geneva College being reduced to \$20,000, unless additional undesignated funds are received in 1987 which would make the original maximum allocation of 50% possible.
8. That the Board of Trustees of Synod be authorized to enter into a contract with Weleski Transfer, Inc.

**SPECIAL INVESTMENT POOL****Policy Statement****January 31, 1987****Introduction**

The Special Investment Pool (SIP) was created by Synod's Board of Trustees at their May 25, 1985 board meeting in which \$300,000 (approximately 5% of the funds available for investment) was initially "set aside" for investment in organizations and businesses which clearly had a "kingdom" orientation in their ownership and/or purpose. The intent was not only to have the income from investments working for Christ's Kingdom, but to have the principal itself directly invested with those who seek to serve Him rather than invested generally in "Wall Street" securities.

This approach will necessarily require more work on the part of the Trustees of Synod to seek out, thoroughly research and administer those desired investments. Thus a special committee was formed as a sub-committee of the Trustees' Investment Committee to carry out the Board's action.

This set of guidelines was adopted in principle by Synod's Board of Trustees at their September 28, 1985 meeting, and, after lengthy review by legal and tax counsel, was finally adopted and implemented at their January 31, 1987 meeting.

### OBJECTIVES

1. To pursue aggressively the nine-point "Policy Guidelines For Investments" as approved by Synod's Board of Trustees on May 15, 1982 and ratified by the 1982 Synod. These "Policy Guidelines For Investments" are included at the end of this Policy Statement and are an integral part of it.
2. To make loans to Christian non-profit organizations or ministries ("Ministries") as well as to "for-profit" business ("Business") which are owned or controlled by Christians who demonstrate a strong personal relationship with the Lord as well as effectiveness in operating their business affairs in such a way that Christ is honored.
3. To give preference to "Ministries" operated by or related to the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America and to "Businesses" that are controlled, operated or owned by any of the Church's members, but not to exclude other Christians when loans to their ministries or businesses can be justified and funds are available.
4. To seek a yield on SIP funds approximately equal to that obtained on non-SIP funds invested by the RPCNA; and to accomplish this by making "Business" loans at approximately the prevailing market rate for the subject business in its area, and by making "Ministry" loans at or slightly above the rate of inflation.
5. Only short to intermediate term loans (not exceeding five years) will be made, and any one loan will be limited to a maximum of 10% of the SIP portfolio (currently \$30,000).
6. The direct "out-of-pocket" costs of making the loan (i.e. attorney fees, recoding fees, appraisals, etc.) shall be passed on to the borrower in the form of a front-end loan origination fee deducted from the loan proceeds.
7. Ordinarily, "Business" loans will be amortized on a monthly payment schedule and "Ministry" loans will be amortized quarterly.
8. Loans to "Businesses" must be secured by such assets as receivables, inventory, equipment, property, etc.; and the loan amount may not exceed 80% of the loan value of the collateral. "Business" loans must have personal guarantees. Loans to "Ministries" should be secured although unsecured loans may be accepted.
9. Loan applications fully consistent with the policies herein stated may be approved by the Investment Committee of Synod's Board of Trustees upon recommendation by the SIP sub-committee. Any loan application recommended for approval that does not meet all the policy criteria must be approved by Synod's Board of Trustees.



10. The SIP sub-committee will consist of three members. The chairman must be a member of Synod's Board of Trustees and shall be appointed by the Board President. The remaining two members shall be appointed by the sub-committee chairman. They need not be members of Synod's Board of Trustees but must be members of the RPCNA.

### PROCEDURES

1. Initial loan requests should be directed to the Denominational Treasurer who will forward a loan application form to the interested party.
2. Completed SIP loan applications should be submitted to the Denominational Treasurer who will check the application for completeness before forwarding it to the three members of the SIP sub-committee.
3. Conversations or correspondence would normally be directly between the applicant and the SIP sub-committee chairman at this point. If the loan application is denied by the SIP sub-committee, a denial letter should be sent to the applicant by the SIP sub-committee chairman.
4. If the application is approved by the SIP sub-committee, it should be forwarded to the Investment Committee for consideration. At this point, conversation and correspondence may take place between the Investment Committee and the applicant. The decision by the Investment Committee shall be communicated to the applicant by letter. If the decision is for approval, the investment committee shall forward the approved loan package to the Denominational Treasurer's office for implementation.
5. It shall be the responsibility of the Treasurer to insure that the loan agreement, note, collateral assignments, etc., are properly executed and recorded. It shall further be the responsibility of the Treasurer to collect the periodic loan payments and maintain accounting records on all loan transactions.
6. The Treasurer should monitor closely the timeliness of payments received on SIP loans. If a borrower becomes more than one payment in arrears, the Treasurer should notify the borrower in writing of the special nature of the SIP loans and that an arrears status cannot be allowed in order for the SIP program to be viable. The correspondence should also state that if the arrears status is not remedied in 30 days from the date of the letter, that the Board of Trustees will be forced to immediately pursue the recourse(s) available to them via the loan agreement.
7. The Policies and Procedures stated herein may be amended by a majority vote of Synod's Board of Trustees at any duly ordained Board meeting.

**POLICY GUIDELINES FOR INVESTMENTS**

1. We will seek to honor God in the stewardship of capital.
2. We will seek to invest in those trying to honor God in their use of the capital under our stewardship.
3. We will endeavor to be good neighbors and employers by our investments in light of Scripture, including James 5.
4. We will seek a reasonably competitive return.
5. We will avoid high risk investments.
6. We will avoid consumer loans and home mortgages.
7. We will try to keep high liquidity and prefer short term commitments.
8. Congregations and presbyteries may be called upon for information, advice, guarantees, or participation.
9. Our investments are made as Trustees for the entire Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America not just for the benefit of any one individual or group. Even the appearance of impropriety should be avoided.

**The Report of the Committee on Forms was presented by Robert Catloth. Items 1-3 were adopted. Forms 1, 1-A and 1-B were debated and referred back to the Committee. Form 2 was adopted by more than a two-thirds majority vote. Forms 3, 3-A and 3-B were debated and referred back to the Committee. Item 4 was debated and referred back to the Committee.**

**Flowers were bequeathed to the Moderator by the Geneva College Community in honor of his election to the office of Moderator of the Synod.**

**The Court took recess in prayer by Raymond Joseph.**

**MONDAY, JUNE 15, 1987, 1:30 P.M.**

**The Court was reconvened in prayer by Harry Meahl.**

**The Roll was called.**

**The Minutes were read and adopted.**

**In honor of his election to the office of Moderator, flowers were presented to Willard McMillan by the Geneva and Eastvale Congregations.**

**The Report of the Committee on Arrangements was presented by Jerry Milroy. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. The Report was adopted and is as follows:**

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Your Committee conducted its business by phone and correspondence this year. Many of the major arrangements (such as lodging, meals, registration and joint programs with NAPARC bodies) were made by the joint committee from NAPARC.

The joint committee provided suggestions for the devotionals on four days. Your Committee added the topic of the "Lordship of Christ". Devotional speakers and their topics are as follows: Duncan Lowe - "Vital Worship"; Roy Blackwood - "Prayer"; Jonathan Watt - "Holiness"; Phil Pockras - "Stewardship"; Ronald Stegall - "Lordship of Christ".

Your Committee also provided a special worship service on the Lord's Day using Psalms exclusively and opportunity for early morning prayer on behalf of Synod.

Just for fun, your Committee suggested that delegates bring some of their old unwanted ties to Synod to exchange for a new set of someone else's old unwanted ties. We hope you had fun with that one!

#### Recommendations:

1. That since the terms of Harold Milligan and Jerrold Milroy expire at this meeting of Synod, two men be elected to replace them to serve for a period of two years.
2. That a letter of thanks and appreciation for the cooperation and work of the responsible officers of Calvin College be sent by the assistant clerk to the appropriate office.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. L. McFarland  
R. Paul Mathews  
Harold Milligan  
Jerrold S. Milroy, Chairman

**The Report of the Psalter Committee was presented by Robert McCracken. Items 1-4 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PSALTER REVISION

Your Committee was given two assignments:

One: To proceed with the preparation and publication of a Supplement to the *Book of Psalms for Singing* which would be of convenient form for use in informal settings, as well as worship services, and which would test old and new tunes, along with those that represent various nations and cultures.

Two: To draw up a Church-wide program of "Training in Praise" to be submitted to the 1987 Synod for approval.

**With regard to Assignment One:** Your Committee has made very limited progress. Our desire to produce a booklet to help generate joy and excitement in the praise of God with Psalms is high, but also we find the assignment a bit overwhelming. We are conscious of the desire of many for a wider variety and style of music through which to present the Psalms to God in praise, but achieving that ambition is not an easy task. Some tunes have been considered which show promise, but we sense that we need the help of the Church as a whole to provide a wider source of selections from which to choose. It is easy to express a degree of frustration concerning church music, but not easy to suggest reasonable alternatives. It has made us aware of the exceptional work done in the preparation of our current Psalter. We have found that if we want to break out of familiar, but somewhat stereotyped patterns of praise, which are part of our tradition, and attempt to reflect or utilize other forms, even modern American cultural patterns of music, this requires re-translation or new compositions, or both. This necessitates special gifts, commitment, time, and in some cases money. There are modern renditions of Psalms on the market, but most take liberties with the text which we consider undesirable, thus forcing us to do original work. Hence the call for help. This will give some explanation for our not having a packet of tunes for you to take home and try at this Synod. We do believe that the interest and gifts are available in the Church to proceed with this effort and ask for your help. We will be placing in the hands of the delegates of each congregation a written explanation of the kind of help we desire, and we are requesting that you make this information available to appropriate people in your congregation. With some good response, we would hope to have a collection of selections and some specific proposals regarding this Supplement by next Synod.

**With regard to Assignment Two:** Your Committee proposes the following "Program."

- A. The production of a "Training in Praise Seminar" on video cassette, which would be made available to our congregations for rent or purchase, (and of course to others who might want to use it). The particular orientation of the video would be congregational singing using the *Book of Psalms for Singing*. This tape could be used in local situations whenever and however each congregation felt it would be most profitable.
- B. The Seminar on Tape would be conducted by Mr. Charles McBurney and would include four thirty-minute segments. The segments would focus on the following general areas:
  - 1) How to Sing - Basic music theory - Reading music, etc.



- 2) Learning to be a Precentor - Training and Improvement in song leadership.
  - 3) Parts singing - How to learn a part - the place of harmony, etc.
  - 4) Knowing and using your Psalter - Memorizing Psalms, Family singing, etc.
- C. If this "Program" is approved by Synod, production of the Tape would begin the week of July 6, 1987, and the Tapes should be available by September or October, 1987. We envision a quality, professional production which will cost in the vicinity of \$4,000.
- D. The Committee would prepare a "Leader's Guide" to accompany each tape to help the local precentor or other local person who would be in charge of the meetings where the tape segments are used. The Leader's Guide would also suggest a follow-up program of praise improvement in the congregation.
- E. To augment the video series and to provide an "in hand" training guide for improved congregational singing, your Committee has recommended to the Board of Education and Publication the re-editing and re-publishing of the booklet by Dr. Robert Copeland entitled *Sing Up*. Dr. Copeland agreed to do the work of re-editing this booklet, and the E & P Board awaits Synod's direction as to whether to re-publish.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the Committee be continued.
2. That delegates to Synod assist the Committee by soliciting the help of their congregations in supplying to the Committee tunes and/or Psalm translations which they think might encourage meaningful and enthusiastic praise to our God.
3. That Synod approve the production of a "Training in Praise" video tape as described in the report, and provide the funds needed for this project from the Miscellaneous Fund.
4. That the Board of Education and Publication be asked to re-publish an up-dated edition of the former *Sing Up* booklet by Dr. Robert Copeland.

Respectfully submitted,  
Timothy Russell  
Wanda Haney  
Donald R. McBurney  
Jocelle McDonald  
John Schaefer  
Robert McCracken, Chairman

**The Report of the Psalm Translation Committee was presented by Clark Copeland. Items 1-3 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

**REPORT OF THE PSALM TRANSLATION COMMITTEE**

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

Last year (1986) Synod acted to appoint a Psalm Translation Committee, if possible to include men appointed by the R. P. Churches of Ireland and Australia, to establish scripturally-based hermeneutical and exegetical principles for the translation of Psalms to be sung, and to commission said committee to make a singable translation of the 150 chapters of the Book of Psalms based on a consistent use of those same principles; suggesting that they aim at translating 15 Psalms per year for ten years.

Synod appointed Clark Copeland, Duncan Lowe, Jonathan Leach and Dale Russell for the work of translation; and Robert Copeland, Robert Joyner, Charles McBurney, Boni Piper and Michael Tabon as a subcommittee for musical settings, with Roy Blackwood chairman of the entire Committee. Your Committee has contacted Rev. Andrew McConaghy and Rev. Knox Hyndman who were at that time Clerks of the Australian and Irish R. P. Churches, respectively, requesting they appoint some one or ones skilled in Hebrew translation to join in this work.

That part of your Committee responsible for translation has corresponded and established a program of Committee procedure whereby our Chairman will establish a yearly schedule and then coordinate, reproduce and otherwise expedite the prompt circulation of papers and tapes of translation by this kind of correspondence with occasional telephone conference calls. We hope we can limit our meetings to those held in conjunction with the meetings of Synod. We see this as especially important because of the involvement of the Irish and Australian Churches.

We have agreed upon the following sequence in carrying out your assignment to us. We will begin, as we believe you intended, by proposing a statement of the "scripturally-based hermeneutical and exegetical principles" which are to be used consistently throughout our work. We are asking that you consider a statement that we are proposing at this (1987) Synod.

We plan to begin translation of the first 15 Psalms after Synod this year. When the actual translation of a given chapter has been agreed upon, then we will work at the English phrasing. The translators will then submit their work to the subcommittee on music, requesting that they find or write the music which will best fit the meaning. This is not an inflexible sequence. We know that there will be changes in the music to fit the facts and feelings of an accurate translation. And we know that the word phrasing will need to be adjusted to fit the musical settings.

But our heart's desire in all this is that both the English phrasing and the musical settings would be made to serve, highlight and amplify the truth that God is speaking through an accurate translation of the original text and that it would all be done in such a way that "all people that on earth do dwell" (old and young, male and female, in churches as different as those of America, Europe and Australia) would understand with their minds

and feel within their own spirit the truth that God has written into the 150 chapters of the Book of Psalms. They would be drawn along and lifted up into the fullness of the praise which is most pleasing to Him: thinking those thoughts and expressing those feelings which were verbalized by His Spirit.

Synod should know that many of our Reformed Presbyterian Brethren who are good musicians have seriously questioned whether we can ever find any one musical setting and English phrasing which will accomplish this goal for people as diverse as Americans, Europeans and Australians. Perhaps not. But we believe the place to begin is with the accurate translation. When the translation is accurate then we can be more at ease about our concerns with the music - in America as well as in other countries. We have the words of David. But God has not seen fit to preserve the tunes of David. And we believe we can agree with our Reformed Presbyterian Brethren on the translation, and hopefully on the English phrasing. At worst we might wind up singing the same translation to different tunes. At best we may wind up singing the same translation (even in different languages as in Syria where they sing Psalm 100 in English and Syrian to the tune of Old 100th) to the same tunes. But the genuineness and accuracy of the English translation can become a focal point of agreement which will help to bring us closer together with our Reformed Presbyterian Brethren everywhere. It can also strengthen our witness to other churches, to know that the Book of Psalms we are singing is just as accurate and genuine a translation as is the translation of any of the other books of the Bible that we are now reading.

We would like to request further help from Synod. Would you please encourage individual members of the Church to send us personal applications, insights, word studies or other information on the Psalms we are now working on (Psalms 1-15). And would you permit us to submit for publication in the *Covenanter Witness* and in other periodicals, the papers, translations, word studies or commentaries on particular Psalms? We realize that such articles would need to be "popularized" and would need to be examined by the Editor of the *Witness* for acceptance or rejection by him just as any other article that is submitted. This is not a plea for preferred treatment that could handicap the Editor or his plans. It is a request of Synod to approve the public release of Committee work prior to the time you see it and act on it as a Synod. At a later date we may ask you to approve the publication of a companion book/ devotional commentary on the Psalms designed to encourage and help people in singing the Book of Psalms in private or family and public worship. We trust that the work that will be done by this Committee may deserve publication and that as the work proceeds over the next ten or more years individual Committee members might be encouraged to publish a particular article under their own names. Would Synod object to that?

Paper 86-1 from Ohio-Illinois Presbytery concerning the names of God in the Psalms was referred to this Committee. We have not prepared a spe-

cific answer to the paper. It will be further considered and a formal answer to the paper given in a later report.

Your Committee thanks you for appointing us to this important work and asks that you pray for us throughout the years.

#### Recommendations:

1. That Synod approve the following statement of the hermeneutical and exegetical principles to be used in the translation of the Book of Psalms for singing.
2. That Synod approve the following appointees who have already been selected by the Australian and Irish Synods, to be members of this Committee: Australian representatives: Alistair McEwen and Lynsey Blackston; Irish Representatives: Hugh Blair, Norris Wilson and John McGregor.
3. That Synod reappoint the present Committee and subcommittee with the requested additions for another year.
4. That Synod authorize the reimbursement of expenses.

#### A Preliminary Statement

##### Hermeneutical Principles for Translating the Psalms for Singing

Basic Presuppositions for translating: The Psalms (as is true of all Scripture) were breathed out by God through men so that what they wrote is indeed God's infallible, inerrant Word. That is, God directed the thought patterns and forms, the choice of words, literary form and structure. They, therefore, must direct, as far as possible, our translation.

#### I. Determining the text

Determine the best reading of the text by sound principles of textual criticism. The Septuagint and the Dead Sea Scrolls provide evidence as to textual variants, although the uneven style of the Septuagint and the uncertainties of its transmissional history require that this witness be used with due caution.

#### II. Understanding the text

- A. The text is to be understood according to the semantics of human communication: Word meaning, grammatical and syntactical relations, literary form and structure, idiom, figures of speech and historical situational factors.
- B. The titles are the earliest witnesses we possess in regard to the historical background of the Psalms. Nevertheless they are not inspired, their date and origin are not known, and their accuracy is therefore not to be assumed as beyond question or contradiction. Literary and historical researches (used with due care because of the generally prevailing scholarly bias against treating the Bible as the inspired Word of God) are also to be used in determining the sense of the Psalm-texts.



## III. Translating the text

## A. Exactness, theology

1. Take care to make exact translations, not allowing additions or subtractions for the sake of meter.
2. Translation must be especially careful neither to understate nor to overstate the theology of the Psalms. Overstatement is the more likely danger, however, especially if it occurs in the seemingly innocent form of borrowing truth from another part of Scripture—maybe under the pressure of space demands (to expand a metrical line, or to compress it) or rhyme-scheme demands. Such theological “borrowing” is a betrayal of the overriding priority of the translator to *translate* the Word of God and *not interpret it nor expand upon it*. (This stricture is not, of course, meant to interfere with the level of translational work wherein that which may sometimes be termed “interpretation” is simply and unavoidably part of understanding the Hebrew expression and finding its fitting English equivalent.)

## B. Structure and tone

1. The poetical structure is to be analyzed and utilized as far as possible in translation: Parallelism of thought and structure, the effect these parallelisms have on the meaning of the sentence as a whole; inversion of structure and thought; strophic divisions of the Psalm itself should be *served by* the metrical and stanzaic form, as well as by the musical setting.
2. The psychological/spiritual mood of the poet should be reflected in the translation so far as can be done. This should help to determine the meter, tune, etc., used to express the Psalm for singing.

## C. Language

1. Uniform language should be used in translating significant words, phrases and thought forms, such as the names of God: Elohim, YHWH, Adonai, Yah and the combinations: YWAH Elohim of Armies, etc., and such words as name, Sheol, soul, my soul, holy; and the synonyms for law: statutes, judgments, decrees, commandments.
2. The translation is to use common and ordinary grammar, diction and syntax— even as the Hebrew of the Psalms was the ordinary language of the people though used with care to achieve the powerful effect. Hence all archaisms (thee, thou, e.g.) and what has come to be merely religious-sounding phraseology are to be avoided in favor of the directness and freshness of the original. The flow of the English should, ideally, be as natural and clear to us as the Hebrew was to its audience; it should not sound forced, pedantic, trite, pompous or novel.

The Court returned to the discussion of the Report of the Committee on Forms. It was moved that all the Forms be adopted as a guide for sessions. The motion was adopted. By motion Item 3 was reconsidered and referred to the Committee until after the report of the Committee to Canvass the Over-ture.

The Court took recess in prayer by Glenn McFarland.

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 1987, 7:30 P.M.

The Court was reconvened in prayer by William Roberts.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The Reports of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies, Atlantic, Iowa, Midwest, Ohio-Illinois, Pacific Coast and St. Lawrence Presbyteries were read. Harold Harrington spoke on behalf of the Ottawa Theological Hall which is under the oversight of the St. Lawrence Presbytery. The Report of the Japan Commission was read. The Moderator led in prayer for the presbyteries and the Commission, and God's ministry within them. The Reports of the presbyteries and the Commission were received and are as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE PRESBYTERY OF THE ALLEGHENIES

Dear Fathers and Brethren,

The Presbytery of the Alleghenies respectfully reports that there are 13 congregations and one mission station under its care. Three congregations are without settled pastors: Eastvale, First Beaver Falls and Rimersburg. All three congregations desire your prayers as they examine themselves before the Lord and seek pastoral leadership. The Rimersburg congregation is enjoying the regular ministry of Lic. Daniel Kiehl. The mission station in Washington, D.C. is growing. The weekly Sabbath services begun last fall have had many new visitors. They have recently begun meeting at 8601 Baltimore Blvd., College Park, Maryland. We thank God for His work there.

We have a total of 18 active and two inactive teaching elders on our roll in addition to those serving in congregations. Four of these men are serving Geneva College, four serve the R. P. Seminary, one is a missionary in Japan, eight are retired (one of these men is serving in the R.P. Home), one is without a pastorate and one is self-employed.

We have struggled financially this past year and have experienced a decline in membership. These are humbling facts that we must face. The first step in renewal is the recognition that we need to be renewed. We as a Presbytery have recognized this. Last year the Presbytery held a "Concert of Prayer" seeking the face of the Lord to revive us again (II Chronicles 7:

14). We are encouraged as we see God beginning to work in many ways. We take heart in the fact that the new ministry in State College is settling into a growing church and the Washington D. C. work shows great promise. These efforts explain to some degree our financial stress. At the same time we note that the area of western Pennsylvania has experienced severe economic pressures, which have in turn led to the removal of a number of our members. Two of our pastors resigned this past year, and they did so in some spirit of discouragement. We have need of spiritual revival!

But we take heart that the Presbytery has also been experiencing evidences of God's blessing. One exciting answer to prayer has been a dramatic increase in students of theology under our care. We now have ten men under our care! Three of these men have recently been licensed (Gerald Dodds, Daniel Kiehl and Timothy McCracken). Rob Dalbey hopes to be licensed this fall. Tony Cowley and Keith Kusbit will begin the licensing procedure this fall. Gerald Bowyer is working on his B.A. in preparation for Seminary. Andrews Amoh, Tom Houston and Peter Smith have been taken under care during this meeting of Synod. The examination of these men has already required one special meeting of Presbytery this spring in addition to our two regularly scheduled meetings and another is being planned for this fall. We have also had at least two of our congregations receive help from Dr. Donald MacNair as they seek to become living churches on the growing edge. Three of our teaching elders attended *Evangelism Explosion* clinics, plus two of the seminarians under our care. Two other pastors attended a *Charles E. Fuller Institute Church Planting Seminar*. These training experiences were funded by the Synod's Home Mission Board and are deeply appreciated. We expect God has purposes of extension of our ministry!

Aside from those mentioned above we held two other special meetings in regard to Pastor Gordon Keddie's return from Scotland. Mr. Keddie has now been installed as pastor of the New Covenant Reformed Fellowship of State College.

Our Presbytery Camp (Lambec) was a real blessing last year with an average attendance of 150. We are looking forward to this year's camp on June 27-July 3.

The officers of the Presbytery are listed with our Roster. Our travel fund is paid in full and all members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,  
Frank C. Schutz, Clerk

### REPORT OF THE ATLANTIC PRESBYTERY

The Atlantic Presbytery would respectfully report that of our six congregations, five have settled pastors and show signs of growth. These are Broomall, Cambridge, Coldenham-Newburg, Elkins Park and White Lake. The Ridgefield Park, New Jersey congregation has been without a

pastor since last summer. They made out a call to the Rev. Kenneth Smith in the Spring of 1987. However, Mr. Smith did not accept this Call. The congregation continues to actively seek the under-shepherd of the Lord's choosing especially as the Lord continues to send opportunities of ministry. We commend this congregation and its opportunity for significant ministry for your consideration.

We have three ministers without charge on our roll: G. W. Price, William Cornell and William Smith. William Pihl has accepted a call as Stated Supply of the Rochester congregation. William Smith is in retirement in the White Lake area. We ask your prayers for his health. We have two students under care, Mr. Donald Cassell and Mr. Brian Randazzo. Mr. Randazzo was licensed to preach the Gospel at this Synod meeting and is eligible for a call.

The future of our new work in Winsted, Connecticut is uncertain. Worship services were held regularly from July, 1986 until April, 1987 but were discontinued when two of the three families expressed several disagreements with Presbytery and its Commission over future plans for the new work. We would ask your prayers for wisdom in dealing with the particular needs of all three families and, in particular, that we and our congregations will not be discouraged by this set back in the work of evangelism and outreach.

We continue to support the Center for Urban Theological Studies (CUTS) in Philadelphia. Dr. William Edgar and Pastor Jonathan Leach serve as our representatives to CUTS. We also provide oversight and support for the White Lake Covenanter Camp. Maybe you read about the blessing of owning your own camp in the camp issue of the *Covenanters Witness*; even if those blessings come disguised as water system problems that we are seeking to correct. Mr. Michael Tabon serves his third year as the Camp Director and Head Counselor. Family Camp will be held August 14-22 with the adult speaker being Pastor Robert McCracken.

We have held one special meeting in addition to our annual spring meeting (this year held on April 17, in Ridgefield Park, New Jersey) and annual Synod meeting. This special meeting was to meet with the three families in Winsted, Connecticut.

Our moderator is Pastor William Cornell. Our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College is Jonathan Leach. Mr. Leach is also our representative on the Home Mission Board. Our travel agent for this meeting of Synod is William Simons. Our Travel Fund is paid and all of our members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,  
David Coon, Clerk

#### REPORT OF THE IOWA PRESBYTERY

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."



The Iowa Presbytery respectfully reports that it has held one regular meeting since the last meeting of Synod. The annual meeting was held on April 4, 1987 at Marion, Iowa, and the called meeting June 15, 1987, at this meeting of Synod.

Presently there are three organized congregations all with pastoral leadership. As reported last year, the Marion congregation was visited by the Presbytery and after follow-up discussions this spring, the Presbytery has invited Dr. Donald MacNair, *Churches Vitalized, Inc.*, to assist in providing counsel and making an evaluation of the Marion work. It is our desire to use Dr. MacNair's services to help strengthen all of our present congregations.

The Presbytery Family Conference will be held July 26-31, 1987 at Crooked Creek Christian Camp east of Washington with Pastor J. Paul McCracken as the principal speaker on the theme, "Biblical Choices on Dating, Marriage and Sex." Robert Schmidtberger is our travel agent for this meeting of Synod. Our representative to Geneva College's Board of Corporators is Lauren Wolcott and Ronald V. Good is our representative on the Board of Home Missions. All our members are accounted for, and the Travel Fund is paid in full.

Presbytery would ask that the Synod keep its work in prayer:

1. Specifically to pray for the Marion congregation as they work with Dr. MacNair;
2. To pray for the Sharon congregation in their three Bible studies: Women, young people and outreach;
3. For the Washington congregation to continue their evangelism and discipling work.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald V. Good

### REPORT OF THE MIDWEST PRESBYTERY

The Midwest Presbytery respectfully reports that it has held one regular meeting and one called meeting since the last meeting of Synod. The annual meeting was held October 7 and 8 in Greeley, Colorado; the special meeting was also held in Greeley on May 5 to examine James McMahon for ordination and to revise our plans for the completion of Kelly Moore's licensure requirements. The called meeting was held at this meeting of Synod.

We presently have 16 organized congregations under our care. We installed Martin Wilsey as pastor of our Westminster congregation on October 6, 1986 and James McMahon was ordained on May 5 and installed on May 20 as pastor of the Greeley congregation. Robert McFarland was installed on June 3 as pastor of our Topeka congregation.

Our Lawrence congregation has been vacant but will soon welcome its new pastor, Robert Tweed. Our Quinter pulpit became vacant on June 1.

Tom Price has resigned as of July 12 due to a decline in his health the last three months. Our Hays pulpit will become vacant August 31 when Bruce Hemphill begins work on his Ph.D. at Westminster (East) Seminary. David Patterson is stated supply at Clarinda but will soon be installed as part-time pastor. Please pray for our congregations whose pulpits are vacant or will soon be vacant.

We have two ordained men serving as missionaries: Joseph Paul and Gene Spear. We have 18 ordained men without pastorates on our roll. We received J. Edward Pitts as a teaching elder on January 16 from the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the U.S. Raymond Hemphill is on loan to the Foreign Mission Board for temporary work in Japan. One of our ruling elders, Albert McCrory of Denison went home to be with the Lord during the last year.

We have two men under care as Students of Theology: Kelly Moore and Bruce Parnell. They both will be attending the R.P. Seminary this fall. Robert Willson was licensed on January 16 and transferred to the care of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies.

The Topeka Session hosted a men's retreat on April 24 & 25 on the theme "Men Training Boys." Thirty-one were registered for this conference.

Two conferences are being planned again for this summer. The Horse Creek Conference, to be held June 29-July 4 along Lake Perry in north-eastern Kansas, is for young people through high school age. The theme is "Let the Earth Rejoice." Horn Creek, held in the Sangre de Christo Mountains of Colorado is a family conference on the theme, "Thinking Christianly," with Brad Frey as the main speaker. The dates for this conference are August 15-22.

Our representative to the Geneva College Board of Corporators is Ralph Joseph; our representative to the Home Mission Board is Martin Wilsey; our Travel Fund Agent for this meeting of Synod is Ronald Graham; all our members are accounted for and the Travel Fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Bruce Martin, Clerk

### REPORT OF THE OHIO-ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY

The Ohio-Illinois Presbytery respectfully reports that it has 14 congregations and one mission station under its care. Twelve congregations have pastors. Covenant Fellowship of Indianapolis and the Chicago Mission Station, renamed Westminster Reformed Presbyterian Church, have stated supplies. Hetherton is without a settled pastor.

We have had one regular meeting of Presbytery since the last meeting of Synod. It was held April 2-4, 1987, in Sparta, Illinois.

Since the last annual meeting of Synod, Raymond Joseph was installed as pastor of the Southfield congregation and Fredrick Basil was ordained and installed as pastor of the Sparta congregation. David Armstrong has transferred to another denomination.

There are 24 pastors on the Roll of Presbytery. Twelve of these are without pastorates. Two are stated supplies, one is serving as a chaplain in the U.S. Army, one serves as librarian for the Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, Mississippi, one is in counseling, one is retired, three are in teaching, and three are involved in other work. This past year, E. Raymond Hemphill has been on loan to the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery and served as stated supply at Hetherton. Fifteen non-ministerial members of the Westminster Reformed Presbyterian Church (Chicago Mission Station) are also on the Roll of Presbytery. Currently we have no men under the care of Presbytery.

The Presbytery is encouraged to see the signs of God's blessing on the Presbytery. These include an increase in membership within the Presbytery, progress in revitalizing the work in Chicago including people responding to the Gospel, the beginning of weekly worship services in mid-March, and productive consulting with Donald MacNair, twelve new members in the Hetherton congregation, Orlando and Southside congregations embarking upon building programs, West Lafayette renting larger facilities for morning worship, and a five week ministry trip to India by Keith Magill.

The Covfamikoi Family Conference will be held at Johnson Bible College near Knoxville, Tennessee, on August 1-7, 1987. The featured speaker will be Dr. John White.

Keith Magill is our Home Mission Board representative, while William Finley is our representative to the Geneva College Board of Corporators. All of our members are accounted for, our travel agent for this meeting of Synod is Brent Wells.

Respectfully submitted,  
William Roberts

### **REPORT OF THE PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY**

The Pacific Coast Presbytery held its annual meeting in Phoenix, Arizona, on February 20-21, 1987 and a meeting in connection with the meeting of Synod at Grand Rapids, Michigan, on June 15, 1987.

There are seven congregations under our care: Los Angeles, Phoenix, Santa Ana and Seattle have pastors. The Fresno congregation has no settled pastor but Rev. Robert McMillan, who has been transferred to the Pacific Coast Presbytery, is serving as stated supply through August, 1987. One call has been made by the Fresno congregation which was turned down. The San Diego congregation is still without a pastor, having made a call, which was turned down. There is only one ruling elder from

the San Diego congregation on the session with a Moderator and a provisional elder having been appointed by the Presbytery.

The Anchorage congregation is without a pastor since the call of Rev. Robert Tweed to Lawrence, Kansas. Since the Anchorage congregation is without a resident ruling elder and being few in number, Presbytery is deciding the future direction of the congregation at this meeting of Synod.

The four congregational pastors are : Donald Piper, Glenn E. McFarland, Paul M. Martin and James D. Carson. In addition there are three ministerial members on our Roll who are not in a pastorate. Dr. Charles Chao continues his work with the Reformation Translation Fellowship; Rev. Philip Martin is retired and is serving on the session of the Phoenix congregation; and Rev. Donald Weilersbacher is continuing to live in San Diego area and is in non-pastoral employment.

There are many things in the Presbytery which are encouraging in the growth of the church. One item of thanks is that the Presbytery has been looking toward developing a ministry among Spanish-speaking people. Recently, the Los Angeles congregation has been able to pursue some opportunities which have led to the participation of some Spanish-speaking people in the life of the congregation.

In the program of congregational visitation, the Santa Ana congregation was visited by a special commission, at their request, to evaluate the problems regarding outreach and the future of the congregation. Upon recommendation of said commission the Presbytery is seeking a pastor with church building skills to head up the work there or to evaluate the possibilities of starting a new work.

A summer conference is planned for Buck Creek Camp, near Seattle, Washington, August 1-8, 1987.

Donald Piper is our representative on the Board of Home Missions and Surrendra Gangadean is our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lewis Keys, Clerk

### REPORT OF THE ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

The St. Lawrence Presbytery has held two regular meetings in addition to the meeting at Synod. These were held October 7 & 8, 1986 at Lisbon, New York, and March 10, 1987, at Oswego, New York.

There are nine congregations in the Presbytery, seven of which have pastors. William Pihl has accepted the invitation of the Presbytery to serve as stated supply of the Rochester congregation, effective July 1, 1987. Lochiel is without a pastor. The work of the Ottawa Congregation at Perth, Ontario, continues to show promise. One elder and one deacon of the Ottawa congregation are located in the Perth area and involved in its ministry. Richard Ganz continues to preach in both Ottawa and Perth.



There are twelve ministers on the Roll of Presbytery, seven of whom have pastorates. Charles Leach is serving with the Foreign Mission Board in Japan. W. Douglas Chamberlain was installed as pastor of the Lisbon, New York, congregation on October 7, 1986. William Pihl was received as a member of Presbytery from the Atlantic Presbytery on June 15, 1987.

Three theological students are under the care of Presbytery: Christian Adjemian, Andrew K. Schep and Ian G. Speirs. Their seminary work has all been taken at Ottawa Theological Hall. Christian Adjemian was licensed to preach the Gospel on March 10, 1987 and expects to complete his seminary training a year from now.

On September 4, 1986, Ottawa Theological Hall presented diplomas to its first three graduates. We are grateful for the evidence of God's blessing as the Hall completes its fifth year of training. A special blessing this past year was the purchase at a very reasonable price of an excellent collection of over 3,000 books from a private Reformed library.

The Presbytery continues to be involved in two summer conferences. The White Lake Family Camp will be August 14-22, under joint sponsorship with the Atlantic Presbytery. Various other activities are held at the White Lake Camp through the summer. St. Lawrence Family Camp will be September 4-7 at Echo Lake Camp, a new location near Parham, Ontario.

The Presbytery is involved in conversations with a group of families Northeast of Toronto, Ontario concerning the possibility of their affiliation with our church.

Presbytery visitation was carried out in the Lisbon congregation last fall.

The officers of our Presbytery are : Moderator, Walter Swartz; Clerk, Kenneth McBurney; Treasurer, Paul Finley; Representative to the Board of corporators of Geneva College, Paul Finley; Representative on the Board of Home Missions, Walter Swartz. The statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk, our members are accounted for and our Travel Fund is paid.

The Presbytery requests that Synod hear Harold Harrington on behalf of the Ottawa Theological Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kenneth A. McBurney, Clerk

### REPORT OF THE JAPAN COMMISSION

The Japan Commission respectfully reports that since the last meeting of Synod the Commission has consisted of seven ministers—Leach, Masunaga, Miwa, Spear, Sterrett, Takiura and Youn—and three ruling elders—Kojima, Nitta and Shinoda. We have three congregations under our care in addition to three mission stations. Mr. Leach returned from furlough in America at the end of June.

The Japan Commission was responsible for overseeing the following activities:

1. An Evangelism Study Committee was organized to plan Mr. Leach's ministry in the Kobe area. Mr. Leach began his work after settling in Gakuen Toshi, a new town in west Kobe, in August. This committee was replaced by the Gakuen Toshi Evangelistic Committee which deals specifically with Mr. Leach's ministry in the west Kobe area.
2. In July and August of 1986, the Commission employed Mr. Komuro, a student at the Reformed Seminary in Kobe, to help with various summer evangelistic activities in each congregation.
3. The Young People's Summer Conference was held at Ayabe Seminar House on August 12-14. The theme was "A God-loving Life."
4. The Fall All-Church Conference was held at the Reformed Seminary on September 23. The speaker was Dr. Tskeshi Baino, a professor of economics at Osaka Prefectural University. The theme was "The Relationship Between Christians and Their Life in This World."
5. The annual Christmas Psalm Singing Program was held at the Sannomiya International Building on December 20, 1986, featuring the presentation of "The Life of Christ in the Psalms."
6. Mr. Youn moved from Kasuganomichi to Yokoh in Suma ward at the beginning of the year, and he began holding a weekly worship service at his house on February 22. In March a provisional session was organized and Miss Tokimasa was received as a member.
7. The "Prayer Wheel," a prayer list compiled from all of the congregations and new works, has been printed every other month.
8. The Young People's Prayer Meeting has been held on the first Sabbath of every month.
9. A Pastors' Meeting has been held for the purpose of study and mutual edification and encouragement every other month.
10. A member of the Japan Commission attended the Synod of the Reformed Church of Japan as a fraternal delegate.

The officers of the Commission are: Moderator, Shigeru Takiura; Clerks, Chrls W. Leach and Nobuo Miwa; Treasurer, Yoshio Nitta; Auditor, Toshio Shinoda. Minutes of the sessions were examined and found in order. The statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nobuo Miwa, Clerk  
Charles W. Leach, Clerk

**The Report of the Home Mission Board was presented by Ronald Good. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

## REPORT OF THE HOME MISSION BOARD

The Board of Home Missions reports that it has met twice since the last meeting of Synod. Its officers have been: Ronald Good, President; Dean Smith, Vice-President and Walter Swartz, Secretary.

Our primary task is to assist the presbyteries in their work of church extension. New works now being assisted in this way are: Presbytery of the Alleghenies—State College, Pennsylvania and Washington, D.C.; Atlantic Presbytery—White Lake, New York, and Winsted, Connecticut; St. Lawrence Presbytery—Endwell, New York, Oswego, New York and Rochester, New York. The Columbus, Indiana and Ottawa, Ontario, congregations are recent graduates of the aid program, and the Oswego, New York, congregation is scheduled to graduate in 1988. It is our great desire as a Board that presbyteries be ambitious in their missionary work and apply to us for informational and financial help.

In further encouragement of home missions, the Board provides scholarships for *Evangelism Explosion* and also for seminars with Dr. Donald MacNair. For *Evangelism Explosion* Seminars, the provision is fifty percent of the cost or \$300 per person (whichever is less) for a maximum of two people from each congregation. We have budgeted \$4,000 in 1987 and the same in 1988 for this program. Four people participated in this program in 1986 and, so far in 1987, eight people have participated.

For seminars with Dr. MacNair, the provision is fifty percent of the cost up to \$500 for a presbytery to sponsor a seminar with Dr. MacNair in their area before September 30, 1987. Letters have been sent to pastors concerning these programs. See your presbytery representative to apply for them.

The Board is beginning to seek to train its members by supporting participation in seminars and workshops related to home missions, church extension, evangelism and church revitalization. We are also trying to develop a program that will help growing new works to secure adequate facilities.

We offer a number of tools for your use. *The Church Extension Notebook* chronicles many of our new works over the last forty years. Copies are available from Robert McFarland. Audio tapes of the seminar on church growth presented by Dr. MacNair prior to Synod last year are available from Tom Price. Videotapes of Ray Bakke's series, *The City for God's Sake*, were purchased with the Foreign Mission Board and are available through either Board.

Another service entrusted to us by Synod is to help presbyteries in caring for pastors who have been released from their pastoral responsibilities. Another project is a policy notebook compiled from a review of all available minutes.

Since 1985, we have scheduled one of our meetings each year with a presbytery or congregation involved in church extension. Last fall, our visit was with the Colorado Springs and Aurora congregations. The

Board, the presbytery representatives and the congregations interacted regarding their work, and enjoyed this time of mutual encouragement. We hope to continue this practice.

At our spring meeting, we met with Dr. Donald MacNair and asked him to teach and guide us in long-range planning at our Fall 1987 meeting. We have encouraged a number of presbyteries to consider Dr. MacNair's services in analyzing, evaluating and developing particular new works.

We keep the church informed of progress in home missions through articles and prayer items in the *Covenanter Witness*, bulletin inserts, and a slide program.

Our President, Ronald Good, represents us at the annual meeting of NAPARC's Joint Home Missions Agencies. Robert McFarland and Ronald Good are our representatives on Synod's Cross-Cultural Committee.

We received a *Proposal for a Mission Church* which is to be presented to this Synod by the Ohio-Illinois Presbytery. The Home Mission Board endorses this paper in principle.

We are making no request of the Reformed Presbyterian Missions and Ministries Program for 1988. The amount budgeted for the support of the presbyteries in their new works for 1988 is \$69,498; our total budget is \$96,998.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the following persons be elected to the Board of Home Missions for the clas of 1990: Atlantic Presbytery, Jonathan Leach and Pacific Coast Presbytery, Donald Piper.

Respectfully submitted,  
Walter Swartz, Secretary

The Report of the Foreign Mission Board was presented by Paul McCracken. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was adopted. Item 3 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 4 was adopted. Item 5 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 6 was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by James McMahon.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 1987, 8:30 A.M.**

Synod met pursuant to adjournment in the Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan, at 8:30 a.m.

The Court was constituted in prayer by Garland Kincaid.

Roy Blackwood led the Court in Prayer. After the singing of Psalm 20-A Bill Blackwood read God's Word from Isaiah 53: 11,12; Luke 11: 1 and



Hebrews 7: 23-27. Roy Blackwood preached God's Word on the theme "Leadership in Work—In Prayer." After prayer the Court sang Psalm 65-A.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The Roll was noted.

The Report of the Committee to Canvass the Overtures was presented by William Weir. The Report was adopted and is as follows:

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO CANVASS THE OVERTURES

The Committee to Canvass the Overture sent by the 1986 Synod followed the guidelines to process overtures found in Chapter VIII of the present *Book of Discipline* (p. 18-20).

Every chapter of the *Directory for Church Government* was adopted by the overture process. Chapters 25, 26 and 28 of the *Declaration and Testimony* were adopted by the overture process as well. However, the rewording of Ordination Vow #8 and #9 did not pass.

In the balloting for the *Directory for Church Government* and the *Declaration and Testimony* chapters, every chapter was passed by the required two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of the Sessions (that is at least 40 of 59 sessions voting), and by a majority vote of all elders voting. The balloting is as follows:

	Sessions			Elders	
	In favor	Opposed	Ties	In favor	Opposed
Ordination Vows	23	29	7	113	129
<i>Directory</i>					
Introduction	49	8	2	206	32
Chapter 1	49	8	2	210	35
Chapter 2	49	8	2	211	33
Chapter 3	42	15	2	189	55
Chapter 4	57	2	0	237	8
Chapter 5	57	2	0	237	7
Chapter 6	56	3	0	227	16
Chapter 7	56	3	0	245	17
Chapter 8	57	2	0	236	7
<i>Declaration</i>					
Chapter 25	52	6	1	217	21
Chapter 26	58	1	0	240	5
Chapter 28	57	2	0	232	10

Thus, the Committee recommends that the *Directory for Church Government* as revised in 1986 replace the present *Book of Church Government* and become the law and order of the church, and the revised Chapters 25, 26 and 28 become part of our *Declaration and Testimony*.

Respectfully submitted,  
Douglas Chamberlain  
Robert B. Tweed  
William J. Weir, Chairman

The Moderator expressed thanks to the Committee to Rewrite the Directory of Church Government for their work as the Directory was declared to be the law and order of the church.

The following papers were presented to the Court:

87-5 concerning the presentation of presbytery reports to Synod was referred to a committee to be appointed by the Moderator to report back to this Synod.

87-6 concerning making provision by which retired pastors may be able to purchase a home was referred to the Board of Trustees of the Synod.

A Preliminary Report of The Committee on Finance was presented by Steven McMahan and was received by the Court.

The Report of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary was presented by Robert Copeland. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Item 3 was adopted. In keeping with that Item Bruce Stewart, President of the Seminary, addressed the Court. Item 4 which called for the election of a person to be Professor of Biblical Languages and Old Testament at the Seminary for the term 1989-1992 was adopted. The Board nominated Duncan Lowe. Following prayer by James Carson for Divine guidance the Court proceeded to the election. The Report was laid on the table until a convenient time after the counting of the ballots.

The Report of the Pension Trustees was presented by Robert Catloth. Items 1-2 were adopted. Item 3 was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Moderator announced that Duncan Lowe was elected to the office of Professor of Biblical Languages and Old Testament at the Seminary for the term 1989-1992. Of 98 ballots cast 85 were in favor of the election, eleven were opposed and two abstained from voting.

Following recess the Court returned to the Report of the Seminary Trustees. Item 5 was referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The Seminary has continued to experience the blessings of God during the past year in the form of spiritual and academic growth, numerical increase, and institutional stability. The words of Psalm 92 are apt: "Planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish; in the courts of our God. They will still bear fruit in old age; they will stay fresh and green." Having completed 176 years, the Seminary is, by God's grace, still bearing fruit and staying fresh and green.

The Seminary attempts to meet the educational needs of students through curricular offerings and special events. This year has seen the upgrading of offerings and requirements in Church History, and the faculty is currently studying the special needs of our part-time and non-traditional students. The course for RP students on our church's Distinctive Principles has been offered on Monday mornings and is team-taught by the faculty. On March 26-28 the Seminary was the site of the Reformed Missions Consultation, which involved 31 conferees from seven Reformed denominations, in addition to our own students and the public. Speakers included Johnathan Chao, Bassam Madany, Young Sun, Roger Greenway, Carl Ellis, and Ron Brunson. Papers from this Consultation will be available at a later date.

### Faculty and Staff

We thank God for the continuing good health of the faculty and staff. Dr. Spear has resumed his full load of teaching and is able to engage in some physical exercise again. Dr. Copeland underwent serious surgery in August and recovered quickly enough to teach his full load in the fall quarter. Dr. Wright taught Beginning Greek in the Summer of 1986 and was one of the speakers at the RP International Conference in Ireland. Rachel George has been indefatigable in her work of organizing and classifying the Willson Papers and other gifts to the Library and providing a host of invaluable services to Library patrons. Dr. Russell has begun teaching the Church History courses and has quickly become an active member of the Seminary family; he has agreed to serve on the same part-time basis for the 1988-89 school year. Dr. Copeland has asked to be relieved of his responsibility as Registrar, and Dr. Russell has agreed to assume this position, effective the 1987-88 academic year. Evening courses have been taught by Dr. Spear and Dr. William White, and an extension course by Rev. Harold Harrington. Dr. Stewart has again provided strong spiritual and practical leadership, as well as godly teaching and example, for which we continue to thank the Lord. For the third year, he is President of the Fellowship of Evangelical Seminary Presidents, and this summer he and Mrs. Stewart plan to travel to China with that group.

Dr. Wright has agreed to serve as Professor of New Testament Studies for the 1989-1990 year, the second of five one-year extensions beyond his

normal retirement date. The Board hereby notifies the members of Synod that at the Synod of 1991 nominations will be solicited for an election to be held at the Synod of 1992 for a Professor of New Testament who will begin to serve in June 1993.

For the information of Synod, Jonathan Leach continues his studies for the Th.M. with some limited financial assistance from the Seminary. He has been encouraged to apply to the Graduate Study Fund. Jonathan Watt has completed the course work for the Ph.D. in Linguistics and is working on the thesis. Pastor Bruce Hemphill has indicated his interest in the New Testament position and his plan to pursue doctoral studies in Hermeneutics and Biblical Interpretation at Westminster Theological Seminary. To this end, he has resigned his pastorate, effective in August. The Board is encouraging him in his plan to be eligible for possible nomination. The Board would encourage not only these men, but any others interested in preparing for service on the Seminary faculty, to pursue graduate studies in the appropriate field and to keep the Board informed of their plans and progress. We pray that God will provide a pool of qualified and competent men who feel called of God to the exacting task of preparing young men for the pastoral ministry.

With regard to the Chair of Old Testament Studies, the Board received two additional nominations at its September meeting, but on examination concluded that neither nominee was ready for this position. Therefore, we present to the Synod only one nominee for the Chair of Old Testament.

For the information of Synod, the other full-time teaching faculty will reach the end of their current seven-year terms as follows: B.C. Stewart, 1990; Wayne Spear, 1994. The seven-year term of the Librarian, Rachel George, expires in 1991.

Mrs. Spear continues to undertake her responsibilities as Secretary and Bookstore Manager with a true sense of vocation. This year Lori Meneely has provided additional secretarial support on a part-time basis. Effective May 31, she has resigned, however, "in anticipation;" and at the time of writing the Seminary is looking for a part-time replacement. Donna Wilson is the Assistant Librarian; Tim and Lori McCracken are caretakers of the Seminary building; and Dan and Suzanne Kiehl have been managers of the apartment building. (By the meeting of Synod, however, they will have moved to Rimersburg.) Truly, the Seminary has been blessed with the faithful and cheerful service of these staff members.

### Students

Once again, enrollment has been strong, and God has graciously given the Seminary an increased witness in the Pittsburgh area. In the fall quarter we had 95 students on campus (44 FTE), of whom 14 were Reformed Presbyterians (eight full-time) and the others from 17 denominations. By the Spring quarter there were 146 taking courses on campus for credit (43 full-time equivalent), eight auditors, and 38 taking extension courses off-



campus. Of the 146 credit students on campus, 42 are M.Div. candidates, six are candidates for a diploma or certificate, and 52 are special students. Twenty-seven are active pastors; 39 are over 35 years of age; 13 are women; 45 are black; and three are International students (from Ghana, Liberia, and Zaire).

Although the RPTS has always been a graduate professional institution, it has always made provision for the admission of non-baccalaureate students if they showed evidence of being able to handle the work. However, in recent years the number of non-baccalaureate students (mostly active pastors from urban Black churches) has risen, and with it has come the realization that some of them are unable to cope with graduate-level work. In order to provide these men with the preparation which they need before pursuing Seminary studies, we are urging the formation in Pittsburgh of a program comparable to the Center for Urban Theological Studies (CUTS) in Philadelphia, and are engaged in discussions with leaders of the Black churches and with Geneva College about the possibility of such a program. (In the Philadelphia program, pastors can study part-time at CUTS to earn a Geneva College degree, then continue part-time to earn a degree from Westminster Seminary.)

We praise God for the upward trend in enrollment at RPTS in recent years for a number of reasons. First, the inclusion of 45 Black students is exciting because the RPCNA has had a long history of concern for the education of this segment of the population which has been educationally deprived. Geneva College and the Seminary were racially integrated in the 1840's, long before this was accepted even by many other abolitionists. Following the War Between the States, R.P. domestic missionaries operated several "Freedmans' Schools," and Knox Academy in Selma was operated until the public high school began accepting Black students in the 1960's. The Seminary's present expanded ministry to Blacks is the logical continuation of this long-standing commitment. Moreover, the enlarged enrollment assures a wider witness for the denomination. Additionally, of the students on campus, 15 are Reformed Presbyterians, a larger number than in many of the years of the past, so that the Seminary is serving the denomination directly in an expanded way.

1. The cost of operating the program and maintaining the building are virtually the same whether we are educating five students or one hundred—the faculty, library costs, utilities, and insurance are not affected by changes in the size of the student body within the parameters thus far encountered. Additional costs are largely in office administration—i.e., clerical costs in operating the bookstore, maintaining transcripts and other records.
2. Contributions from the R.P. Mission and Ministry Fund amount to \$8,500 per R.P. student; of that, each receives an average of \$2,500 in cash as Financial Aid, and the balance (\$6,000) in the form of education. Compared to the cost of other graduate education, the Church is getting excellent value from the Seminary.

3. Scholarships for non-R.P. students are provided from funds received from non-R.P. sources, such as the Hayes Foundation. Contributions from Reformed Presbyterians are not used for direct aid to non-R.P. students.
4. While the Seminary's budgeted contribution from the R. P. M. and M. Fund is generally stable, the percentage of its budget received from this source is actually declining. This reduction is made possible in part because of tuition income and gifts from non-R.P. sources.
5. All of these non-R.P. students are committed to Scripture and are open to instruction in Reformed theology, and are being exposed to our doctrine of worship, etc. By teaching the truths of our faith to pastors of other denominations, we extend the witness and influence of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.
6. Having non-R.P. students in class and in student preaching helps and stretches our own students by challenging them to defend thoughtfully those points of view which they might otherwise comfortably take for granted. Thus the education which our R.P. students receive is better and stronger as a result of the presence of non-R.P.'s.

#### Accreditation

As we announced verbally to the Synod in 1986, the Seminary has been accepted as an Associate Member of the Association of Theological Schools. Under the direction and supervision of the Synod, the Board of Trustees of the Seminary has been for many years implementing procedures leading to accreditation. At the request of several members of Synod in 1986, the Board of Trustees has prepared a statement of the reasons for seeking accreditation with the A. T. S. [This statement will be distributed at Synod.]

#### The Board

The Board of Trustees has held two regular meetings since the Synod of 1986. Officers have been John H. Tweed, President; John J. Vincze, Vice-president; and Robert Copeland, Secretary. Each member serves on one or more of the three standing committees: Executive, Finance, and Long-Range Planning.

The Board notes with sorrow the passing of Dr. Edwin C. Clarke, who served on the Board for many years as a member, as Vice-president and as Chairman of the 175th Anniversary Committee which planned the celebration and conducted the highly successful fund drive in 1985-86. We are grateful to our sovereign Lord for Dr. Clarke's gifts of wisdom and tact, and for his abilities given so unstintingly to the cause of ministerial education. We shall miss his sage counsel.

The terms of Darrell Parnell and Robert Copeland expire at this meeting of Synod, and Dr. Parnell is ineligible for re-election at this time. Their successors should be chosen.

**Recommendations:**

1. That the following be nominated for the Class of 1993: Robert Copeland, Joseph Huston and Dennis Wing.
2. That the Seminary be granted \$95,116 from the Reformed Presbyterian Missions and Ministries Fund.
3. That Bruce C. Stewart be heard for ten minutes on behalf of the Seminary.
4. That Synod proceed to vote on the election of Duncan Lowe to a three-year term as Professor of Biblical Languages and Old Testament, 1989-1992.
5. That Synod continue to support the preparation of Duncan Lowe through the Graduate Study Fund in 1988.

Respectfully submitted,  
Robert Copeland, Secretary

**R.P.T.S. AND ACCREDITATION  
PRINCIPLE AND PRACTICE**

**A statement by the Board of Trustees - May 19, 1987**

Under the direction and supervision of the Synod, the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary has been for many years implementing procedures leading to degree-granting status and to accreditation. God has blessed those efforts by making the Seminary stronger and more faithful and by granting it a wider recognition of its excellence. At the request of several members of the Synod of 1986, the Trustees of the seminary have prepared this statement of the reasons for seeking accreditation.

**I. General**

- A. Accreditation is a process whereby an association or agency recognizes an institution as having met certain qualifications or standards. This process focuses on two principal concerns: Educational quality and institutional integrity. In the United States, accreditation is a voluntary activity, and is the nearest American equivalent to the government supervision employed in other nations. The U.S. Office of Education has stated:

The voluntary accrediting organizations, regional and nationwide, have no legal control over institutions of higher education. They merely promulgate standards of quality or criteria of institutional excellence and approve or admit to membership the institutions that meet those standards or criteria. The only power that the accrediting organizations have is that of giving publicity to the lists of institutions they have accredited. Inclusion on the approved list of a nation-

ally recognized accrediting organization is generally accepted as the most significant available indication of institutional quality. (Blauch, quoted in *The Encyclopedia of Education*, I, 55.)

- B. The lists of accredited institutions are widely used. For example, most students use them in determining what institution to attend; universities and graduate schools use them in granting academic recognition for study undertaken at other institutions. Foundations and other donors generally give only to accredited institutions. The military services and Veterans Administration depend upon accreditation to determine which institutions may provide educational opportunities for servicemen and veterans. For many years, veterans could receive educational benefits for work at RPTS only because accredited seminaries certified that they would accept our credits in transfer or for further study, and graduates of the RPTS could be accepted into the military chaplaincy only on the same basis. In recent years, this procedure has become unacceptable to the military and the VA.

Accreditation is also used by students and educational officials in other countries as a guide to the quality of American institutions before enrolling, and as a major criterion in recognizing degrees earned in American institutions.

- C. The basic goals of accreditation include:

- to encourage excellence in education through the development of criteria, standards and guidelines for assessing educational effectiveness;
- to encourage improvement through continuous self-study and planning;
- to assure the educational community, the general public, and other agencies or organizations that an institution or program has both clearly defined and appropriate objectives, maintains conditions under which their achievement can reasonably be expected, appears in fact to be accomplishing them substantially, and can be expected to continue to do so;
- to provide counsel and assistance to institutions and programs;
- to encourage the diversity of American education, and allow institutions to achieve their particular objectives and goals.

(From: Handbook of the National Association of Schools of Music)

## II. Accreditation in Ministerial Studies

In the field of theological/ministerial education, the organization whose accreditation is recognized is the Association of Theological



Schools (ATS), which was founded in 1918 and currently includes 204 member Seminaries and Schools of Theology. The RPTS has sought accreditation in this organization, and in 1986 was granted Associate Membership, which is an intermediate step short of full membership.

- A. The ATS shares the same goals as other accrediting organizations. It does not impose an ideology on institutions; rather, it seeks to stimulate them to clarify their own purposes and programs and then examine themselves to see how effectively they are carrying out those purposes.
- B. The member institutions actually control the ATS and set the standards for accreditation. In recent years almost all of our sister Reformed seminaries have joined (e.g., Westminster, Reformed, Covenant, Calvin) as well as most of the Evangelical seminaries.
- C. Our sister institutions have informed us that ATS accreditation has been helpful and in no sense threatening to the theological integrity of these schools.

### III. Accreditation of the RPTS

- A. The Reformed Presbyterian Church believes in an educated ministry, and is committed as a denomination to provide for both competent scholarship and excellent professional preparation for its pastors.
  - 1. If we are to honor that commitment, the depth and quality of the program in our Theological Seminary ought to exceed the minimum established for accreditation.
  - 2. Review by an "outside" agency provides one objective judgment of the level of excellence we achieve.
- B. In addition to its primary purpose, preparing men to serve as pastors of congregations in the RPCNA, the Seminary, with Synod's approval, has included in its statement of purpose the following:

In God's providence the Seminary is located in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. While students come from other parts of the United States and from foreign countries, the Seminary seeks to minister to students from this area who want a seminary which is fully committed to the Reformed faith including the inerrancy of Scripture.

We have evidence that being an accredited institution will enhance this purpose and bring additional students. Some denominations permit their theological students to attend only accredited institutions. RPTS has a tremendous opportunity to train men from many denominations for the pastoral ministry. This ensures a Reformed Presbyterian testimony well beyond our own circles.

- C. It is not an overstatement to say that the accreditation procedure has helped our denominational college, Geneva College, to become more consistent with the denominational goals of Christian education.

#### IV. Summary

- A. Accreditation of the RPTS by the ATS is right in **principle**:
1. It helps to insure a level of excellence which is essential to our goal of an educated ministry;
  2. It provides an objective assessment of the quality of our program and its comparability to the standard of our sister denominations;
  3. It enhances the credibility of the institution and of its graduates, so that we do not needlessly bring shame on the Gospel;
  4. It expands the denomination's witness as we provide education for greater numbers of evangelical pastors;
  5. It accomplishes these goals without endangering our theological integrity or our institutional independence.
- B. Accreditation is helpful in **practice** as well:
1. It means that Reformed Presbyterians who work for a Gift Matching company can have their gifts to the Seminary doubled;
  2. It increases the Seminary's enrollment and thus its income, which permits a high-quality program without increasing the cost to the R.P Missions and Minsitry Fund;
  3. It permits military veterans to receive educational benefits while attending the Semianry;
  4. It enables graduates to enter doctoral programs, military chaplaincy, etc. directly, without the embarrassing step of seeking verification from seminaries which are known to maintain high standards;
  5. It provides the Seminary greater entree to foundations whose gifts may provide additional benefits without draining the denomination. (For example, both the Stated Clerk's Office and the E & P Office benefit from the computer which was given to the Seminary by the Pitcairn-Crabbe Foundation.)

The Report of the Board of Pensions was again taken up. Item 4 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 5-7 were adopted. Item 8 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 9 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 10 was adopted and referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 11 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 12 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted. In keeping with the action approved in in Item 12 the Court was led in prayer by Robert Tweed for those who have served the church in past years. The Report is as follows:

### REPORT OF THE PENSION TRUSTEES

For it is written, "How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!" Hebrews 9:14

1986 has been a busy year for the Trustees. We continue to meet twice a year (spring and fall) at the Shawnee R. P. Church building.

The officers of the Trustees are: Chairman, Dennis Olson; Vice-Chairman, Edmund Schisler; Secretary, Robert Catloth; and Treasurer, Louis Hutmire.

All correspondence should be mailed to the Secretary at 717 Mississippi Street, Lawrence, Kansas 66044.

We want to remind the Presbyteries (clerks) or their Ad Interim Commissions (clerks) of the need to inform the Pension Trustees (secretary) of action taken by the Presbyteries of licensures, ordinations, installations and changes from active to inactive service. This information is needed for term insurance and/or pension purposes.

Recommendation 1: That Synod instruct the Presbyteries to include in the minutes of each installation service the date that the teaching elder actually started working in the congregation. This is needed because participants are enrolled in the pension program on the first of the month following the date they actually started working.

### CONTRIBUTIONS

For contributions to pension Plan B by current employees of the RPCNA a uniform contribution rate of \$400 for each participant has been set for 1987. This amount is to be forwarded by the congregational treasurer to the denominational treasurer quarterly (4 x 100).

Recommendation 2: That Synod set the employees contribution rate at \$400 for each participant in Plan B for 1988.

### ASSESSMENTS

Congregational treasurers are to forward \$10 per communicant member based on their membership as of 31st day of December to the denominational treasurer's office. This amount should be paid in quarterly installments. This assessment is received into the Current Account of the Pension Trustees.

Recommendation 3: That Synod set the congregational assessments for communicant membership at \$10 for the calendar year 1988 based on its communicant membership as of December 31, 1987.

### BENEFITS

As of 1-1-86 pensions for Plan A (those over 54 years of age as of January 1, 1974) are being paid to twenty (20) couples and twenty (20) singles. Couples are receiving up to \$260 per month, and singles are receiving up to \$220 per month. In 1986 we paid out a total of \$109,881, and in 1987 we estimate we will pay out a total of \$115,000.

In 1986 one participant's spouse received benefits under Plan B. Two other participants are receiving monthly annuities.

### AUDITOR'S REPORT

The auditor's report for Plan B as of 12-31-86, has been received and will be duplicated and given to delegates at this Synod.

Plan A has an unfunded liability, as noted in the auditor's opinion of the Trustees of Synod Auditor's Report as of 12-31-86. Assets for this liability held by Synod's Trustees as of 12-31-86 are \$443,500.

The Trustees received an Actuarial report of Plan A as of January 1, 1987. The purpose of this valuation was to determine the current funded status of the plan. Under their Summary of Valuations Results they calculated the present value of future benefits payable from the plan using two interest assumptions - 7% and 9% interest per annum. The fund status under each assumption was shown as follows:

	7%	9%
1. Present value of future benefits	\$805,615	\$724,215
2. Market value of assets	<u>443,500</u>	<u>443,500</u>
3. Unfunded present value of future benefits [1-2]	\$362,115	\$280,715

The Trustees have increased the annual contribution to \$45,000 beginning in 1987 as shown by its treasurer's report by a transfer from the current account to Pension Plan A account. If Synod increases the monthly pension to those under Plan A by \$10 a month, the amount of the transfer will be increased \$50,000.

The Report of the Actuarial Valuation as of January 1, 1987 ends with the following: "Due to the immediate nature of the liabilities of the plan, it is our recommendation that the Synod continue funding on at least the \$45,000 annual level. In addition, periodic valuations to update the



plan's funded status based on actual investment and mortality experience should be completed to insure that assets will be available to fund promised benefits."

Recommendation 4: That Synod receive the 1986 Auditor's Report of Plan B as of December 31, 1986, and print pages 1-3 in the Appendix to the Minutes of Synod.

### PLAN B AMENDMENTS

The Pension Trustees recommend to Synod the following summary of changes to the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Employees' Restated Plan:

#### SUMMARY OF THE CHANGES CONTAINED IN AMENDMENT NO. THREE TO THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA EMPLOYEES' RESTATED PENSION PLAN

**(A) Section 6.05**, which set forth the lump sum payout provisions of the Plan, is amended to provide that lump sum payments will only be made if a Participant terminates employment prior to full vesting or if the Participant terminates employment and severs his relationship with the Church even if he is fully vested.

**(B) Section 10.01**, which sets forth the maximum annual additions to a Participant's Plan Accounts, is amended to comply with the Tax Reform Act of 1986 (TRAC), by revising the definition of annual additions.

**(C) Article XII**, the provisions on Voluntary Deductible Employee Contributions is repealed effective January 1, 1987 to comply with TRAC.

Recommendation 5: That Synod amend Pension Plan B as set forth in the following resolution:

#### EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA SYNOD MEETING HELD ON THE 16TH DAY OF JUNE, 1987

### RESOLUTION

At a meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (hereinafter referred to as the "Sponsoring Employer") held on the 16th day of June, 1987, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer approved the adoption of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Employees' Restated Pension Plan (hereinafter referred to as the "Plan") effective January 1, 1984; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer reserved the right in Article VIII of the Plan to amend the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Sponsoring Employer wishes to amend the Plan to (i) comply with certain changes required by the Tax Reform Act of 1986, and (ii) make certain other changes therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Plan is hereby amended, in the following respects, effective as of January 1, 1987, except as otherwise provided:

AMENDMENT NO. THREE  
THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF NORTH AMERICA  
EMPLOYEES' RESTATED PENSION PLAN

(A) Section 6.05 is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

**"Section 6.05 - Lump Sum Payments** Lump sum cash payments may be paid from the Trust Fund to a Participant (i) who Terminates Employment prior to his Normal Retirement Date and before he has completed at least ten (10) full years of participation (and, as a result, before he is fully vested) or (ii) who Terminates Employment and severs his relationship as a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America regardless of his years of participation (i.e., even if fully vested) as hereinafter provided.

(a) A Participant who Terminates Employment may elect a lump sum cash payment of the vested interest of his Accounts as of the date of his Termination of Employment.

(b) Any such lump sum payment made under Section 6.05(a) shall be calculated based on the value of the Participant's Accounts as of the Valuation Date coincident with or next preceding his Termination of Employment, unless in the sole and absolute discretion of the Committee, a special Valuation Date should apply, in which event the distribution of such Participant's Accounts, shall be as of a special Valuation Date. If a Participant's Termination of Employment occurs close to the end of a Plan Year, the Committee may direct that the amount of the such Participant's Accounts shall remain in the Trust Fund until the Valuation Date next following the Participant's Termination of Employment.

(c) Any lump sum payment made pursuant to this Section 6.05 may be reduced by a reasonable charge for expenses.

(d) Notwithstanding any provisions contained herein to the contrary, the Administrative Committee may direct to pay out in a lump sum cash payment the vested interest of the Participant's Accounts provided the lump sum values of such Account is three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3,500) or less."

(B) Section 10.01 is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

**Section 10.01 - Maximum Annual Additions** The "Maximum Annual Addition" to a Participant's Accounts shall not exceed the lesser of (a) the greater of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) or one-fourth (1/4) of the dollar limitation in Section 415(b)(1)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, as such amount may hereafter be adjusted from time to time by the Secretary of the Treasury to reflect increases in the cost of living pursuant to Section 415(d)(1)(B) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 as amended, or (b) twenty-five percent (25%) of the Participant's compensation received from the Employers during the Plan Year.

For this purpose, a Participant's compensation shall mean his earned income, wages, salaries, fees for professional service, commissions paid to salesmen, compensation based on percentage of profits, bonuses and other amounts received for personal services actually rendered in the course of employment with the Employers and excluding the following:

(i) Any Employer's contribution to a plan of deferred compensation to the extent contributions are not included in gross income of the Participant for the taxable year in which contributed, or on behalf of an Employee to a simplified employee pension plan to the extent such contributions are deductible under Section 219(b)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, and any distributions from a plan of deferred compensation whether or not includable in the gross income of the Participant when distributed.

(ii) Amounts realized from the exercise of a non-qualified stock option, or when restricted stock (or property) held by an Employee becomes freely transferable or is no longer subject to a substantial risk of forfeiture;

(iii) Amounts realized from the sale, exchange or other disposition of stock acquired under a qualified stock option; and

(iv) Other amounts which receive special tax benefits, such as premiums for group term life insurance (but only to the extent that the premiums are not includable in the gross income of the Employee).

The term "*Annual Additions*" shall mean the sum for any Plan Year of:

(a) the Employer Contributions made on behalf of a Participant;

- (b) the Participant's allocable share of forfeitures; and
- (c) the Participant's Mandatory Nondeductible Employee Contributions and Voluntary Nondeductible Employee Contributions.

The Annual Addition for any Plan Year beginning before January 1, 1987 shall not be recomputed to treat all Mandatory Nondeductible Employee Contributions and voluntary Nondeductible Employee Contributions as an Annual Addition.

The term "*Annual Additions*" shall not include any Voluntary Deductible Employee Contributions made by the Participant on or before December 31, 1986 as provided for in Article XII.

In the event the allocation of Employer Contributions would result in exceeding the limitations expressed in the previous paragraphs with respect to any participant, the Trustee shall, pursuant to Section 1.415-6(b)-(6)(ii) of the Treasury Regulations, hold the excess amounts unallocated in a suspense account (herein called "Section 415 Suspense Account") for the Plan Year of the Plan and allocate and reallocate such excess in the next plan year to all the Participants in the Plan before any Employer contributions which would constitute "annual additions" to the Plan for that year. Furthermore, the excess amount in the Section 415 Suspense Account must be used to reduce Employer Contributions for the next Plan Year of the Plan (and succeeding Plan Years, as necessary) for all of the Participants in the Plan.

Upon termination of the Plan or upon complete discontinuance of contributions to the Plan, the amount in the Section 415 Suspense Account shall be allocated to all of the Participants in the Plan to the extent not prohibited by Section 415 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. In no event shall any excess amount in the Section 415 Suspense Account be distributed to a Participant or former Participant. For purposes of determining whether any excess amounts have been contributed, in the case of a group of employers which constitutes either a controlled group of corporations, trades or business (as defined in Section 414(b) as modified by section 415(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended) or a group of corporations, trades or businesses under common control (as defined by Section 414(c) as modified by Section 415(h) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended) or an affiliated service group (as defined in Section 414(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended) all of the employers shall be considered as a single employer."

(C) **Article XII:** Effective January 1, 1987 the Plan shall not accept any Voluntary Deductible Employee Contributions from Participants, therefore, the provisions of Article XII shall remain in effect only insofar as



they are applicable to Voluntary Deductible Employee Contributions in a Participant's Account as of December 31, 1986.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the resolution adopted by the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America at a convention held on the 16th day of June, 1987.

Witness my hand and the corporate seal of the SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA this sixteenth day of June, 1987.

Attest: (Seal) THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

Clerk of the Synod By Moderator of the Synod

INVESTMENTS

Plan B investments as of December 31, 1985 and 1986 were as follows:

1985		1986
\$ 48,400	Common Stock	\$208,890
35,137	Convertible Preferred Stock	29,587
61,650	Convertible Debentures	38,475
228,416	U.S. Government Agency Obligations	243,012
498,331	Franklin Funds	
18,952	U.M.B. Money Market	229,565
102,699	Nongovernment Obligations	218,510
<u>\$993,585</u>	TOTALS	<u>\$968,039</u>

During 1986 \$100,214 was withdrawn from the investment portfolio, most of which was to purchase annuities and lump sum pay-outs.

Paper 86-3

This paper from the St. Lawrence Presbytery regarding pensions, pastor's salaries, et cetera, was referred to the Trustees by the 1986 Synod with instructions to report back to the 1987 Synod.

The Trustees' understanding of this paper was [1] those under Plan A are receiving small monthly pensions, and [2] those under Plan B should have more than \$400 invested to their accounts each year.

The Trustees plan to submit amendments to Plan B at the next Synod for the purpose of increasing the amount invested in participants' accounts.

Recommendation 6: That the Pension Trustees recommend that monthly pension payments under Plan A as of 1-1-88 be raised up to \$270 for couples [from \$260] and up to \$230 for singles [from \$220]. (Each \$10 per month increase requires an additional funding of \$4,800 per year.)

Recommendation 7: That Paper 86-3 be returned to the St. Lawrence Presbytery.

Recommendation 8: That Synod grant the sum of \$45,000 to the Pension Trustees Current Account for 1988.

### TRUSTEES

Currently the Pension Trustees have seven (7) members. The terms of the Class of 1987 end at this Synod. The members of the class of 1987 are Robert Catloth, Dennis Olson and Charles Wise. Charles Wise has completed one three-year term. Robert Catloth and Dennis Olson have completed two three-year terms.

We request that Charles Wise be re-elected for another three-year term.

We request that Synod consider an exception of the two-year term rule (page 102, **1981 Minutes of Synod**) for Robert Catloth. Mr. Catloth has served on the Pension Trustees nine years from 1972 Synod through 1981 Synod. During the period of time he was the Chairman of the Pension Board while they were writing Plan B. Mr. Catloth was off the Trustees for one year. During the period from the Synod of 1982 through this Synod Mr. Catloth has been the Secretary, Chairman of the Investment Committee and is the person from the Trustees who works very closely with the United Missouri Bank, and Mercer-Meidinger-Hansen who writes the actuarial valuations and who wrote the Restated Plan and makes all the amendments to the plan.

We also ask that Synod consider the election of Deacon Dean O'Neill from the Seattle R. P. Church or Bill Roberts, the pastor of the Bloomington Congregation. Both men have the business knowledge to serve as Trustees.

Anyone interested in serving as Trustee should visit with the secretary.

Recommendation 9: That Synod elect Charles Wise for a three (3) year term to the Class of 1990.

Recommendation 10: That Robert Catloth be nominated for a (3) year term to the Class of 1990 as an exemption [page 102, **1981 Minutes of Synod**] because of the nature of certain skills he provides to the Trustees.

Recommendation 11: That Synod elect Dean O'Neill or Bill Roberts for a period of three (3) year term to the Class of 1990.

Recommendation 12: That following the adoption of this report, Synod rise for prayer for those who have served the Church in past years.

Submitted by:

Class of 1987: Robert Catloth, Dennis Olson,  
Charles Wise

Class of 1988: Joe Copeland, Paul Finley

Class of 1989: Tom Forest and Edmund Schisler

Treasurer: Louis Hutmire

**The Moderator appointed John Tweed, Duncan Lowe, and James Morton as the Committee to handle Paper 87-5.**

**Keith Magill presented a preliminary report of the Committee to handle Paper 87-2 which has as its subject a partnership expansion program of ministry and growth in the local congregations.**

**The Court took recess in prayer by Jonathan Leach.**

**TUESDAY, JUNE, 16, 1987, 7:30 P.M.**

**Following the singing of Psalm 84-B the Court was reconvened in prayer by Roy Adams.**

**The Roll was noted.**

**The minutes were read and adopted.**

**David Compton brought fraternal greetings from the Free Church of Scotland, Synod of North America. Raymond Joseph reported on his visit to that Synod.**

**Randall Van Osdol reported on his visit to the Synod of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.**

**Kenneth Smith reported on his visit to the Convention of the National Association of Evangelicals. Jerry O'Neill reported on his participation on the Board of the NAE.**

**Mr. Milroy read a letter of greeting from the Reformed Presbyterian Church in the United States.**

Faith Martin, the President of the Woman's Association, addressed the Court on behalf of the Association and the Reformed Presbyterian Home for the Aged. William Weir, Superintendent of the Home, addressed the Court. Shirley McMillan presented the Report of the Committee to Study the Feasibility of a Reformed Presbyterian Ministry to Handicapped Persons. Item 1 was adopted. Items 2-6 were adopted. The Report was received and appears below. The Report of the Woman's Association appears in the Appendix to the Minutes.

### **Report of the Committee to Study the Feasibility of a Reformed Presbyterian Ministry to Handicapped Persons**

At the July 1986 meeting of Synod a motion was passed asking the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association to study the feasibility of providing residential facilities for mentally and/or physically handicapped persons. The Board of Directors of the Woman's Association agreed to conduct this study. The following committee was appointed: Vida Grace Brown, secretary, Beverly Carson, Phyllis Greer, Faith Martin, Betty McBee, Rita Russell, Betty Weimer, and Shirley McMillan, Chairperson.

The Committee met four times. (Vida Brown is secretary.) Jerry O'Neill attended one meeting as a consultant. The Trustees of Synod approved and provided funds for Betty Weimer's transportation. All other expenses were borne by the Woman's Association and individuals.

Our first decision was to establish need. A letter and survey form was sent to each Reformed Presbyterian pastor for the purpose of gathering statistics on mentally and/or physically handicapped persons associated with each congregation. We asked that reporting include adherents and out-of-bounds members.

Forty-eight congregations reported a total of 49 persons under the age of 55 with some form of mental impairment, learning disability, or physical disability. Twenty-five people over the age of 55 were reported to have some type of disability. Most of these older persons seem to suffer from problems associated with aging. Twelve churches reported they had no handicapped persons. Eleven churches did not reply to the survey.

Committee members, in addition to gathering statistics, visited various services for the disabled in Western Pennsylvania and Kansas. There were discussions with those who work with disabled persons, parents of disabled persons, and disabled persons themselves.

### **STUDY RESULTS**

The results of the Committee's research are as follows:

- a. The congregational survey indicated a great diversity in the needs of disabled individuals with no density of persons in any one geographic area of the church.



- b. There was great concern expressed by the parents of disabled individuals as to what provision could be made for their offspring when they were no longer able to provide their care.
- c. When Christian people fail to show effective concern, disabled persons and their families experience great distress. This may be caused by the Christian community not knowing what to do. Many times, therefore, it appears that there is lack of concern because very little is attempted.
- d. On the other hand, Christian people trying to help a family with handicapped offspring often feel rejected when they offer help.
- e. Persons with a disability often feel isolated when their limitations prevent them from participating in certain activities. Many times they are overlooked when they could be selected and their gifts used in some capacity within the congregation.
- f. Many congregations reported involvement with handicapped persons and their families that indicated a loving and on-going concern.

#### Recommendations:

- 1. While we recognize the concerns of families with disabled members, we do not consider it wise to provide residential facilities for physically and/or mentally impaired persons in our Reformed Presbyterian Home, except when their impairment is age related. We recognize that certain individuals might appropriately live in the Nursing Unit and would suggest that our Home consider applications on a case-by-case basis.
- 2. That the Woman's Association be authorized to continue the Committee and that Synod provide \$1,000 to cover Committee expenses: materials, travel, phone and mailing.
- 3. That the Committee be given the following assignments:
  - a. To find what Christian facilities are available;
  - b. To contact other denominations to see if joint efforts might be possible;
  - c. To consider the Reformed Presbyterian Church undertaking some type of residential facility for disabled persons.
- 4. That the Committee be authorized to establish an Educational and Resource Center, staffed by volunteers, to accomplish the following:
  - a. To make the Reformed Presbyterian community more aware of the severity and diversity of the problems of its handicapped members. While the number of handicapped persons in our denomination is not great, some problems are acute.
  - b. To provide information to congregations about programs such as Respite and Care-Giver;
  - c. To provide information to families about agencies that would provide help;

- d. To examine and distribute religious educational materials already available for mentally handicapped persons;
5. That the Committee plan a program for the national conference at Carleton to increase awareness of the problems and to receive suggestions about how we may help our disabled members and their families;
6. That this statement be adopted: All persons, regardless of their mental and physical condition, are created in the image of God. Each person's life is a gift from God. We are not to value individuals in terms of their physical and mental ability or appearance. God has said, "My power is made perfect in weakness." The church should be careful to accept and cherish its handicapped members incorporating them into the life of the church. In evangelism outreach the church should not overlook handicapped persons but seek them out, minister to them and pray for their conversion.

Respectfully submitted,  
The Committee

**The Court was adjourned in prayer by Philip Pockras.**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1987, 8:30 A.M.**

Synod met pursuant to adjournment in Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Wednesday, June 17, 1987 at 8:30 a.m.

**The Court was constituted in prayer by Samuel Boyle.**

The Court was led in the worship of God by Jonathan Watt. Following the singing of Psalm 99-C Mr. Watt read the Word of God from I Peter 1: 13-16 and preached on the theme "Holy in Person; Holy in Practice." He closed the devotional time with prayer.

**The Minutes were read and adopted.**

**The Roll was noted.**

**An offering of \$1,371 was received.**

Bruce Stewart presented the Report of the Graduate Study Fund. Items 1-3 were referred to the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

**REPORT OF THE GRADUATE STUDY FUND**

For the benefit of the Synod in considering our recommendations and for the benefit of others who might apply for aid to the Graduate Study Fund we are including the following policies and procedural steps adopted by Synod (1962, 1973, 1977) for administration of the Fund:

**Policies**

1. The name of the fund will be the **Graduate Study Fund of the Reformed Presbyterian (Covenanter) Church**.
2. The purpose of the Fund shall be to help to make possible work toward graduate degrees for certain qualified Covenanters so that their usefulness in the Covenanter church may be greatly increased.
3. This Fund is established by the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.
4. This Fund will be administered by a committee consisting of the Presidents of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary and Geneva College and Synod's Board of Education and Publication.
5. Any member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church who can be admitted by a recognized graduate school is eligible to apply for financial assistance from this fund. In reviewing applications for financial assistance, the committee will give consideration to all known pertinent information, including the following:
  - a. The present position of the applicant in relation to the current needs of the church.
  - b. Academic record, and where applicable, occupational experience.
  - c. Statement of applicant's intended area of service to the church.
  - d. Recommendations, with special reference to the applicant's probable success as a graduate student and in the area of his intended service in the church.
  - e. Statement of applicant's financial need.
6. Financial assistance shall be in the form of an interest-bearing loan, the repayment of which shall be forgiven, both as to principal and interest, at the rate of ten percent each year for a period of ten years, or such part thereof as the borrower is in the full-time employment of the Covenanter Church.
7. The nature of the Loan-agreement
  - a. The agreement shall be in the form of a four percent interest-bearing note.
  - b. Payment of principal and interest shall be made in ten annual installments with the first payment becoming due and payable one year from the completion of the program of study which has been approved by the committee administering this Graduate Study Fund.

- c. The annual payment of principal and interest will be forgiven for each year the borrower is in the full-time employment of the Covenanter Church. Such employment for a period of ten years shall satisfy the requirements of the note in full.
- d. The borrower's obligation to repay his loan is to be cancelled in the event of his death or permanent and total disability.

#### Procedural Steps

1. Those applying for financial assistance from the Graduate Study Fund should make such application by May 1st of the year prior to the year for which they are requesting financial aid.
2. The administrators of the Graduate Study Fund will process all requests for aid according to the policies stated above and will present the amount of those requests which are approved to the Finance Committee of the Synod at the time of their Synod meeting.
3. Funds made available through Synod's Budget and the recommendations of the Finance Committee adopted by the Synod will be administered by the the Committee to administer the Graduate Study Fund with due consideration to all requests that have been approved.
4. It will be the responsibility of the Committee to administer the Graduate Study Fund to keep the policies and procedural steps of the Fund before the church.

The difficulty of the search to find Reformed Presbyterians who are qualified to teach in the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary and in the Bible Department of Geneva College demonstrates the importance of encouraging men in our denomination to do graduate study.

The first proposal came to us from the Board of Trustees of the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary: "Since the Synod of 1986 approved Duncan Lowe as a candidate to prepare for possible election to the Chair of Old Testament Studies at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and since the Synod approved the commendation of last year's Graduate Study Fund Committee providing for a year of graduate study in 1987, and since it is the intention of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary to nominate Duncan Lowe for the Chair of Old Testament Studies at the Seminary to begin in June 1989, the Board of Trustees are requesting \$27,385 (\$17,385 salary plus \$10,000 for housing) for Duncan Lowe for 1988. The Seminary is committed to pay his tuition costs and fringe benefits."

A second proposal came to us from Jonathan Leach who has begun to take graduate courses in New Testament Studies at Westminster Theological Seminary. He is in a Th.M. program and has an ultimate objective of a Ph.D. degree. In 1988 he is proposing to take one graduate course in the Spring Semester and one graduate course in the Fall Semester. Total cost for tuition and books is \$1410.

A third proposal came to us from Edward Robson requesting \$400 toward his expenses in attending the International Conference on Data

Bases in the Humanities and Social Sciences at Auburn University during which he will present a paper. Our Committee feels this request does not meet the guidelines of the Graduate Study Fund which is "to help to make work possible toward graduate degrees." If Synod desires to support this type of scholarly endeavor our Committee is open to your counsel.

A fourth proposal came to us from Bruce Hemphill for \$5,400 to be used for tuition (\$2,500 per semester) and books (\$200 per semester) for the Spring and Fall Semesters at Westminster Theological Seminary in 1988. He has applied and been accepted in their doctoral program in Hermeneutics and Biblical Interpretation. He has taken this step on the basis of his decision to prepare himself to be available for the chair of New Testament in our Seminary.

Our Committee acknowledges Bruce's gifts in scholarship and teaching and believes him to be worthy candidate for graduate study. Bruce desires to serve the R.P. Church. He has raised questions about the Church's testimony concerning Psalmody, but he has proceeded in an orderly way through his Presbytery and has shown himself to be open to the counsel of his brethren. As stated in our report, the purpose of the Graduate Study Fund "is to make possible work toward graduate degrees for certain selected qualified Covenanters so that their usefulness to the Covenanter Church may be greatly increased."

Participation in the Graduate Study Fund does not assure a person's election to a church position; for instance, the Seminary Board would have to nominate and the Synod would have to elect a future Seminary Professor, and the candidate would have to satisfy both the Seminary board and the Synod regarding his commitment to the Church's testimony.

Your Committee after examining the above requests makes the following recommendations:

1. That an item of \$26,085 (the amount granted last year) be included in the budget of the Reformed Presbyterian Missions and Ministry in 1988 so that a forgivable loan of \$26,085 be granted to Duncan Lowe for his program of graduate study in preparation to teach at the Reformed Presbyterian Theological Seminary.
2. That an item of \$1410 be included in the budget of the Reformed Presbyterian Missions and Ministry in 1988 so that a forgivable loan of \$1410 be granted to Jonathan Leach for his program of graduate study.
3. That an item of \$5,400 be included in the budget of Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry in 1988 so that a forgivable loan may be granted to Bruce Hemphill for his program of graduate study.

Respectfully submitted,  
Joe McFarland  
Willard McMillan  
Bruce C. Stewart, Chairman



Bruce Hemphill presented the Report of the Committee on Time and Place for 1988 Synod. The Report was adopted and is as follows:

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE FOR  
1988 SYNOD**

We recommend that the 1988 Synod meet in conjunction with the National Family Conference at Carleton College in Northfield, Minnesota. The first meeting should convene at 3 p.m. (local time) on Thursday, August 4, 1988.

Tom Reid  
Bruce Hemphill, Chairman

Jerry O'Neill presented the Report of the Committee on Ministerial Credentials. Item 1 was referred back to the Committee. Items 2-4 were adopted.

A verbal report of the Representatives to the Joint Commission on Chaplains was presented by Sidney Van Camp. Bill Leonord, Chairman of the Joint Commission on Chaplains, was introduced and addressed the Court. The report was received.

The Court returned to the discussion of the Report of the Committee on Ministerial Credentials. The Committee made a change in Item 1 and divided the Item. Items 1-A and 1-B were adopted. Items 5-6 were adopted. Item 7 was referred to the Committee. Items 8-10 were amended and adopted. Item 11 was referred to the Committee to Revise the Directory of Church Government.

Wayne Duffield presented a partial Report of the Nominating Committee. Items 1-3 were adopted and appear with the completed Report of the Nominating Committee.

Raymond McCracken presented the Report of the Committee on Pornography.

The Court took recess in prayer by the Moderator.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 1987, 1:30 P.M.**

The Court was reconvened in prayer by Lester Kilpatrick.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

Willard McMillan presented the Report of the Board of Education and Publication. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 2 and 3 were adopted. In fulfilment of Item 3 the Court heard from James Pennington and Drew and Lynne Gordon, the Directors who serve the Board. Item 4 was adopted. In fulfillment of Item 4 and following prayer by Douglas Chamberlain the Court proceeded to the elections. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND PUBLICATIONS

The Board held its semi-annual meetings in October and April in the Seminary building where the publications offices are located. At the fall meeting Willard McMillan was elected president; Edward Hindman, vice-president and Philip Beard, secretary. Richard Johnston, who was elected by Synod, was unable to serve and the Board requested the Moderator of the 1986 Synod to appoint David Willson of the Geneva Congregation, a Synod nominee, to fill the vacancy. Mr. Willson accepted the appointment.

The resignation of Robert McFarland as Director of Education Services and Youth Ministry to become pastor of the Topeka congregation on June 1, 1987 was accepted by the Board as being in accord with the Lord's leading. We give thanks to God for the things accomplished under Mr. McFarland's leadership. He served the church well during the past four and one-half years and we are especially grateful for his zeal with which he has championed a ministry to youth. The Board does not want to lose that vision.

God has been gracious to us during this year of transition in publications. The husband and wife team of Drew and Lynne Gordon has functioned very effectively as Managing Editors of the **Covenanter Witness** and other publications and James Pennington has worked well with them in his capacity as Director of Publications on a quarter-time basis. The Board is recommending that Synod elect Mr. Pennington to a full-time position as Director of Publications and Youth Ministries. In the publications area (50% of his assignment) he would assess curriculum and apologetic needs of our denomination and supervise the development of materials to fill those needs. The youth ministries responsibilities would involve the co-ordination of various programs and activities designed to minister in some ways directly to the youth of the church and in other ways to enhance the youth ministries of presbyteries and congregations. To a considerable degree, the position would be administrative in nature, involving the coordination of services by volunteers enlisted to meet particular needs. A committee of the Board is developing a fuller definition of the position in consultation with Mr. Pennington and this will be distributed at the beginning of the Synod meeting.

The Board is recommending also that Drew and Lynne Gordon be continued as Managing Editors. Together they would serve as one editor,

overseeing the production, promotion and marketing of the **Covenanter Witness** and all other publication projects.

The Board is enthusiastic in presenting this plan for one director and the equivalent of one managing editor and believes that we have the potential for excellent leadership in the persons being recommended.

### Publications

In recent months two new Psalm books have been published. We would predict that the **Praise Him** selection book, prepared primarily for marketing outside the RPCNA, will sell well and prove to be a great asset in the promotion of Psalm singing. The other book is the large print version of the Psalter. Orders for **The Book of Psalms For Singing** have increased in the past several months. The supply is running low and a reprinting will be called for soon.

The marketing contract with Liz Scott Enterprises ended in December and the Gordons have picked up this responsibility. Our publications, especially involving the Psalms, are being publicized outside our denomination and we anticipate a significant increase in sales. A review is to be made of the current stock of denominational testimony materials and it is our goal to make a decision at the fall meeting concerning the revising and reprinting of any of these and what the need is for new materials.

The members of Synod will have a clearer idea of the current projects in publications if this brief listing is provided.

1. A contract for the printing of 7,000 copies of **The Book of Psalms for Singing** has been awarded to Herald Press. The cost of \$29,000 is \$14,000 less than the cost for the same number four years ago.
2. The Board has approved the production of a master tape of all the tunes in the Psalter and in the **Praise Him** selection book to assist persons in learning them.
3. An analysis of desk-top publishing is being made with the hope that production costs can be reduced while quality is improved.
4. Crown and Covenant Publications is making its price list more realistic (too many items were being subsidized) and is participating in the NAPARC catalog of adult education resources. This should be available at the meeting of Synod.
5. The Board has directed that the current stock of testimony materials be reviewed for revising and reprinting and that consideration be given to the production of new materials.
6. We are cooperating with Charles McBurney in the production of a book to provide the church with historical information about Covenanter ministers. The initiative and work are his and we appreciate this labor of love.
7. The Director of Publications was instructed to confer with the chairman of Synod's Committee on Psalter Revision about implementing a "Training in Praise" program for the church.

8. The Director is also exploring the republication of Wayne Spear's book, **The Theology of Prayer**.

The Position Description for the Director of Publication and Youth Ministries is appended to this Report.

#### Educational Services and Youth Ministry

One year's course of the junior curriculum and one for the teen years have been given their final editing and should be produced soon. The Board appreciates the writing that was done by the volunteers for this project.

During the four and one-half years as Director, Mr. McFarland visited every congregation in the church except one. The Board has asked the Director for his appraisal of the state of the church's youth at the congregational level. The **What's Happening** publication issued by the Topeka office has kept the church aware of the Director's various ministries.

#### Recommendation:

1. That the names of Wendell McBurney (for a second term), David Long and Patricia Boyle be considered by the Nominating Committee for service on the Board.
2. That Synod authorize deficit spending in the Revolving Fund for publishing, prompted primarily by the need for reprinting **The Book of Psalms for Singing**.
3. That James Pennington and Drew and Lynne Gordon be heard by Synod for a total of ten minutes.
4. That Synod approve the positions of Director of Publications and Youth Ministries and Managing Editor of Crown and Covenant Publications and then proceed to the election of persons to these positions.

Respectfully submitted,  
Willard McMillan

Board of Education and Publication  
Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America  
Position Description  
Director of Publication and Youth Ministries  
June, 1987

Description of the responsibilities of the Director of Publication and Youth Ministries specifically in relation to the area of youth ministries. The Director will be responsible to the Synod through the Board of Education and Publication of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

**A. GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

In general, the Director will: Develop networks for persons to work within existing and newly developed programs for youth ministries, administer denominational funds for specific programs, select the personnel to work within the programs, and maintain a liason between the denomination and its youth through appropriate activities within the E&P office, congregations, presbyteries, Geneva College and other designated agencies.

**B. SPECIFIC DUTIES**

More specifically, the Director will execute the following duties:

1. Develop and maintain a current list of resource people to participate in various aspects of youth ministry, at denominational expense, and contact those people to determine their availability to serve as particular programs require.
2. Youth ministries and related programs may include:
  - a. Coordination and administration of denominational youth activities.
  - b. Provide for all youth an awareness that the denomination, and the Synod in particular, recognizes its responsibility for its youth.
  - c. Provide programs which cause all youth to recognize that the denomination, and Synod in particular, has accepted its responsibility for caring for its youth.
  - d. Provide all youth with an awareness that each has a responsibility to the denomination.
  - e. Provide all youth with opportunities to serve the denomination.
3. Further evaluation of curriculum needs and development of junior and youth curriculum with a view toward making instructional materials available as needed.
4. Youth Training:
  - a. Seek direct input from youth ministers who are currently involved in successful youth ministries at the congregational and presbytery levels.
  - b. Assist with developing vision for youth training and short-term ministries program.
  - c. Recruit gifted individuals to assist and implement training at local, regional and national levels.
5. Conferences:
  - a. Provide information and coordination of planning for international and national conferences and providing resources as appropriate.
  - b. Serve as a liason for presbytery conferences as requested with a special emphasis on providing information regarding conferences for the denomination.



6. Youth Leadership and Teacher Education
  - a. Provision of resources for leadership and teaching materials for adult youth leaders.
  - b. Provision of information regarding leadership and teacher education programs.
7. Ministries to R.P. Students at Geneva College.
  - a. Continuation of winter retreat in co-operation with the Geneva College administration.
  - b. Co-operation with Home and Foreign Mission Board to continue the mission emphasis week, if requested.
8. Administration of funds for transportation and other expenses incurred, including honoraria as appropriate, and other forms of reimbursement for time and skill, for those who are recruited in these various service capacities.

**The Moderator announced that James Pennington was elected to the office of Director of Publications and Youth Ministries by the vote of 80 in favor, 19 against and 2 abstained and Drew and Lynne Gordon to the office of Managing Editors of Crown and Covenant Publications by the vote of 95 in favor and 3 opposed and 3 abstained.**

**Pastor Riffort, fraternal delegate from the Reformed Church in the United States, was introduced to the Court and brought fraternal greetings from that body. Ronald Good, the fraternal delegate to the Synod of the RCUS, reported on his visit to it.**

**The Court returned to the Report of the Committee on Pornography. Item 1 was adopted. In fulfilment of that Item the Court heard from David Long who represented the denomination at the Convention of the National Coalition Against Pornography. Item 2 was adopted. Item 3 was adopted and referred to the Nominating Committee for implementation. The Report was adopted and is as follows:**

### **REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE AGAINST PORNOGRAPHY**

Your Committee wishes to thank the Lord and through Him the Synod for the assignment given to us during the last two years. Although what has been discovered through our study, probings, interviews and conferences has at times broken our hearts, still it has caused each member to examine his own place with the LORD and to see whether we are really battle-ready soldiers in the midst of the war! The battle is being brought to us. If we have witnessed anything, it is this!

One of the summary reports of the Attorney General's Commission on Pornography stated, "Throughout the past year, we have heard testimony

from victims of pornography, from police officers, social scientists and concerned parents. Many of these witnesses have described the multiple harms associated with sexually explicit material." The Report went on to list eight areas. I bring you just one, "The river of obscenity which floods our homes has reached the eyes and ears of children! Boys and girls are finding and viewing their parents' X-rated videos and magazines. They are also being bombarded by vile lyrics in rock music on radio, television and videos. Their morals are being corrupted by R-rated movies which dangerously link sex and violence. They are being shocked and titilated by obscenity on dial-a-porn phone lines. An on and on it goes. As a direct consequence, psychotherapists are seeing increasing numbers of disturbed young patients who may never enjoy healthy attitudes about sex." This section was a part of Dr. Dobson's introduction.

Some folk have naively suggested that "these things don't really touch me." Our Committee would answer that this is surely a most dangerous position to entertain. It is as foolish as those people who live near a toxic chemical explosion saying, "Why get excited, we didn't see anything!"

Recently, Dixie Gallery spoke to the C. D. L. 30th Anniversary Conference and emphasized the fact that pornography in our community is endangering **all of us**. What followed was an emotional account of her older daughter's capture in broad daylight, the ensuing transport to a motel, and a description of how she was force-fed drugs and alcohol, sexually brutalized and later taken to the mountains and shot. She said that they discovered that her abductors were collectors of pornographic magazines.

This porn-filth does nothing but dehumanize people, desensitizes the conscience, and eventually leads men and women to begin to think and act like animals. It is material which encourages sin from its first thoughts to its last thoughts.

Dixie Gallery said, "Like most people, I believed that something like this was never going to happen to our family, that pornography and drugs and the crime that goes on all the time only happens to 'low-lifers or people who ask for it by the way they live - drug users, prostitutes.' But this isn't the case at all. Ours was the all-American family. Linda (22 years old) was the all-American girl. She was bright and cute and a responsible college student. She had something to offer and yet her life was taken by animals who roam in the day and night looking for victims, like the devil roams the earth seeking those whom he can devour."

Once again, there are a number of organizations being formed who are taking up the battle against this great sin. Your Committee believes, however, that it is first the duty of the church to sound the alarm, to lead the way, to arise to the battle. Many congregations still live quietly, and even peacefully within the arms-reach of stores and shops selling porn-material depicting violent, saddistic sex with women. This is material which promotes the "rape-myth" that women love to be bruised, cut, and abused. When is the church going to roll over and say, "Enough! This must

stop!" When are congregations going to say this strongly enough to be heard at least by their local communities?

The Committee chairman attended the Religious Alliance Against Pornography, November 13, 14, in Washington D. C. The meeting included a White House briefing on November 13th where the following men spoke to us regarding their particular concerns with this national vice: Dr. James Dobson, Father Bruce Ritter of Covenant House, New York; Theodore Cron, representative for Surgeon General Koop; and Dr. Roger Depue, Special F. B. I. Investigator. The following day we heard a number of other speakers. The Alliance was able to give a unified message to the government and to the media of our opposition to hard-core pornography. One giant theme came through. "We cannot continue to sit back. We have allowed sin to have its way." In many communities it has gone undisturbed!

Your Committee would strongly encourage you and your congregation to take a stand. Some ways we would suggest are:

1. Together, write your local merchants, then speak to them in person.
  2. Organize a public information banquet or meeting. Call in informed speakers. Invite your local officials. Let them know of your concern.
  3. Write letters to the Editor of your local paper. Write, not just one letter, but several letters until they really hear you.
  4. Encourage buying in "porn-free" stores. Many merchants have heard and responded. Back them up.
  5. Become informed about your community. Know what is really happening. See what the eyes of your local high school students are seeing.
  6. Pray together as a congregation about this problem.
  7. Pray together with several other congregations about this problem.
- May God stir you by His Holy Spirit, to these concerns and causes of His holy will.

#### Recommendations:

1. That Dave Long be heard for five minutes.
2. That the Committee be continued.
3. That a new Committee of five members be appointed, some of whom have been serving on the present Committee.

In Christ's Service,  
Jerry O'Neill  
John H. White  
D. Ray McCracken

**Ronald Stegall presented the Report of the National Reform Association. The Report was received and appears in the Appendix to the Minutes.**

**The Court was adjourned in prayer by James Wright.**

**THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1987, 8:30 A.M.**

Synod met pursuant to adjournment in Calvin Seminary Chapel, Calvin Seminary, Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Thursday, June 18, 1987 at 8:30 a.m.

The Court was constituted in prayer by Joe Copeland.

The Court was led in the worship of God by Philip Pockras. After the singing of Psalm 24-A Ronald Good read from I Corinthians 4. Mr. Pockras preached on the theme, "Stewardship." Tom Reid closed the devotional time with prayer.

The Court spent some time in prayer for items of special concern that have come to its attention.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The following special resolution was adopted: That the Graduate Study Fund Committee be given authority to bring to the Synod of 1988 a revision of the policies and procedural steps for administration of the Graduate Study Fund, and a proposal for restructuring the selection of the personnel of the Committee.

Jerry Milroy presented the Report of the Interchurch Committee. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item 2 was referred to the Committee on Finance. Items 3-5 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

### **REPORT OF THE INTERCHURCH COMMITTEE**

Dear Fathers and Brethren,

Your Committee met on November 10-11, 1986 in conjunction with the NAPARC meeting in Greenville, South Carolina and again at this meeting of Synod.

Some of the actions of the NAPARC which will be of interest to Synod are: (1) The council clarified some phrases which the PCA had asked about in the "Golden Rule" comity agreement. All other churches had approved the amended agreement. Since we were aware of questions that the PCA had, our Synod had referred this matter (Recommendation #4),

1986 Minutes, pg. 162) back to our Committee. We should adopt this recommendation this year. (2) The report regarding fugitives from the discipline of other NAPARC churches which we adopted last year had a number of editorial refinements suggested. For this reason a small study committee was appointed to refine the language of the Fugitives from Discipline Agreement. This Committee will report back to the next meeting of the Council. (3) The Council further agreed, "That before resolutions for joint or common action by the NAPARC churches are sent to the member churches for adoption they should first be sent to the churches for their suggestions for amendment and/or improvement, and then be considered at the next NAPARC meeting for possible recommendation to the churches." (4) NAPARC maintains an index of study reports which have been conducted by the various member churches. If there is a subject which you are studying there may be a report that another NAPARC church has already done on the same subject. A request to their clerk would probably get you a copy. (5) Each church presents a summary of some significant actions which their Synod/Assembly has taken in the past year. If you are interested in these summaries you may contact any member of the Committee.

While we were in Greenville, we did meet with the Interchurch Committee of the PCA. We discussed areas of divergent viewpoints in both doctrinal and practical matters. Both committees agreed that we need to continue to study to understand each other. No specific recommendations were adopted as a result of our meeting.

We also had the opportunity to meet with John Galbraith who is chairman of the Interchurch Committee in the OPC. It was agreed that we might be able to plan toward concurrent meetings of our two Assemblies/Synods in 1989 at Geneva College. Their committee has since met and will recommend this to their Assembly meeting in Grand Rapids. Their committee would also like to meet with our committee at the next NAPARC meeting (November 10-11, 1987) in Grand Rapids. We hope to be able to do this. At this time we would expect to discuss plans for the concurrent meeting in 1989 as well as many of the suggestions that our Synod adopted in 1983.

Since we are meeting in concurrent Assemblies/Synods this year fraternal delegates have not been appointed to NAPARC members. Delegates were sent to those other Assemblies/Synods with whom we have fraternal relations. Stanley Copeland was appointed to be our delegate to the Synods of the Reformed Presbyterian Churches of Ireland and Scotland with up to \$200 to be provided for his travel expenses. A delegate was sent to the NAE convention. We would recommend that we continue the financial support to the National Coalition on Pornography which we authorized last year.

The following is a summary of the Delegate expenses for the calendar year 1986:



NAE	\$ 863.45
RCUS	199.72
CRC	189.95
OPC	98.00
PCA	4.40
Other Committee Expenses: NAPARC, Committee Travel, etc	
Total	\$4,240.29

### Recommendations:

1. The terms of Bruce Stewart and Randy Van Osdol expire at this meeting of Synod. Since Randy has completed the allowed two terms the Committee nominates Bruce Stewart, Paul Martin and Walter (Kit) Swartz. Donald McCrory has resigned from the committee. We would recommend that David Coon be appointed to fill this unexpired term.
2. That a contribution of \$1,000 from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund be made to the National Coalition on Pornography this year and next as agreed in recommendation #3 in our 1985 report.
3. That Synod adopt without change the amended "Golden Rule Comity Agreement." (We adopted this in principle in 1985.) The amended version follows. Changes are in boldface type.

Comity has meant different things to different people. We representatives of the home mission agencies and committees or boards of our denominations resist territorial statements on comity in light of the social and cultural complexity of North American society and the great spiritual need of our many countrymen who are apart from Jesus Christ. Out of a concern to build the Church of Jesus Christ rather than our own denominations and to avoid the appearance of competition we affirm the following courteous code of behavior to guide our church planting ministries in North America:

- a. We will be sensitive to the presence of existing churches and missions ministries of other NAPARC churches and we will refrain from enlisting and **take great care in receiving** members of existing ministries.
- b. We will communicate with the equivalent or appropriate agency (denominational missions, committee or board, presbytery missions or church extension committee, or session) before initiating church planting activities in a **neighborhood** where NAPARC churches or missions ministries exist.
- c. We will provide information on at least an annual basis describing progress in our ministries and future plans.
- d. We will encourage our regional home missions leadership to develop good working relationships.

4. That we hold our 1989 meeting concurrently with the General Assembly of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church early in June at Geneva College.
5. That the Interchurch Committee be authorized to prepare plans for the concurrent Synod/Assembly meetings in conjunction with the Orthodox Presbyterian Church on Ecumenicity and Interchurch Relations. These plans to be submitted to the 1988 Synod for approval.

Respectfully submitted,  
Tom Reid  
Bruce Stewart  
Randall Van Osdol  
John H. White  
Jerrold S. Milroy, Chairman

**A partial Report of The Nominating Committee was presented and the ballot was prepared.**

**The Report of the Clerk of Synod was again taken up. Item 5 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

### REPORT OF THE CLERK OF SYNOD

The Clerk of the 1986 Synod reports that he has carried out the duties assigned to him by the Synod and responded to a variety of correspondence that has been addressed to him. Some of this correspondence has been delayed for some time.

The **1986 Minutes of Synod and Yearbook** was edited by the Clerk. Mrs. Betty Mazur helped with the proofreading. The printer was T & S Printers in Phoenix. I have continued to try to cut the cost of publishing the **Minutes**. The Board of Education and Publication at the direction of the Synod charges \$5 per copy but the cost of publication has been much higher.

I am sorry about the inconvenience of the tables at the back of the **Minutes**. I received them in a manner that was different from previous years which we usually just copied. I did not come up with a better method of reprinting at that time. I expect that in the future these pages and some of the pages of the Auditor's Report might be printed on a fold-out page so they can be of larger print and yet be together on one page. That will add some cost to the book but will make the tables much more usable.

Letters were sent to all Boards and Committee Chairmen reminding them that Reports for Synod are to be in the hands of the Clerk by April 15th for inclusion in the *Digest*. The *Docket* for the 1987 Synod has been

prepared and is included in the *Digest*. The *Digest* has been reproduced and mailed out by the office of the Board of Education and Publication.

A "Synopsis of Rules of Synod" has been included in the *Digest*. I have included in the *Docket* a page for all reports, though some do not now have a printed report. You may include these when you receive them at Synod. This is to facilitate the organization of the reports. I have tried to set a specific time on the agenda for each report. If you have a report for Synod that has not been assigned a time on the agenda, please let the Clerk know so he can assign a time for it.

The *Docket* for the day may be completed before the time for recess or adjournment. Therefore, to facilitate the completion of business, the Clerk will call for unfinished business that may already be assigned another place on the agenda. Please inform the Clerk if you have a report that is ready and might be handled ahead of the scheduled time.

A standing Committee of Parliamentarians was appointed by the last Synod so there will be no recommendation for their appointment.

Next year Synod meets in conjunction with the National Conference. I am bringing in a paper to the Synod suggesting a plan similar to that used at the Carleton Conference in 1984 for Synod next year.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the order of business and hours of meeting stated in the *Docket* be accepted as the agenda for this meeting of Synod.
2. That the precentor for this meeting of Synod be J. Bruce Martin.
3. That an offering be taken to defray the expenses of Synod Wednesday morning following the reading of the *Minutes*.
4. That the following be referred to the Nominating Committee:
  - a. Committee on Time and Place for the 1989 meeting of Synod;
  - b. Those to whom letters of remembrance should be sent (1974 *Minutes*, p. 60);
  - c. Those to be elected to fill vacancies on Synod's boards and permanent committees.
5. That the publication of the *Docket* and *Digest* and the *Minutes of Synod* be handled by the Board of Education and Publication in consultation with the Clerk of Synod.
6. That a page of corrections to the *Directory of Church Government* be adopted. (They will appear in the *Minutes* with the Report of the Committee to Revise the *Directory of Church Government*).

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul M. Martin, Clerk

**Paper 87-4 concerning a Proposal for a Restricted Synod was taken up. Item 1-4 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

**PROPOSAL FOR A RESTRICTED SYNOD - 1988**

This proposal is to allow the 1988 Synod to cover as much business as possible yet allow the delegates to participate in as much of the Conference as possible. It is also designed to give other people opportunity to become acquainted with the business of the Synod. It is intended to develop the interest in the denominational ministry not to spawn debate. This proposal would give us about seven hours for constituted court. It would allow the delegates to participate in all but five hours of the entire Conference. If we were able to stay on the proposed schedule for the Monday morning session at which every board or committee would report, we would barely be able to complete the work. Therefore, we ask the cooperation of all boards and committees. With these concerns in mind I make the following recommendations:

1. That the 1988 Synod meet concurrently with the Carleton Family Conference in the following manner:
  - a. That Synod meet from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday, August 4. This session would include the following:
    1. Constitution of the Court
    2. Making up the Roll
    3. Introduction of delegates to the Court for the first time
    4. Election of Officers
    5. Hearing the Report of the Clerk of Synod
    6. Hearing the Report of the Stated Clerk
    7. Reading of Papers
  - b. That the appointment of committees by the Moderator-Nominating and Judicial Committees, Committee on Resolution of Thanks, Committee to Canvass the Overture, if necessary, and Committees to Examine the Records of Presbyteries be made by the Moderator during the Thursday evening meeting.
  - c. That the Retiring Moderator's Sermon be preached at the Thursday evening meeting of the Conference. This meeting would be held in constituted court and organized by the Retiring Moderator and the Conference Director.
  - d. That the reports of the mission boards, presbyteries and the Japan Commission be made during a fifteen minute period during each morning convocation: Friday - The Foreign and Home Mission Boards; Saturday - Allegheny and Atlantic Presbyteries; Sabbath - Iowa and Midwest Presbyteries; Monday - Ohio-Illinois and Pacific Coast Presbyteries; Tuesday - St. Lawrence Presbytery and the Japan Commission. These would be arranged for by the Moderator of Synod in counsel with the Conference Director.
  - e. That one hour of the conference on Friday and Saturday mornings, August 5 and 6, be designated for informational seminars

on various phases of denominational ministry. Adult conferees will be encouraged to choose between one of two areas offered each morning. At these seminars various boards and committees will report on their ministries. The moderator of each section may invite other boards or committees to participate where their reports may be germane to the subject of the seminar. The areas and boards and committees to report are as follows:

**FRIDAY - Seminar on Education:** Boards of Education and Publication, Corporators and Trustees of Geneva College, Seminary and Ottawa Theological Hall. Robert McFarland would moderate this seminar.

**Seminar on Finances:** Board of Trustees of Synod, Committee on Finance and the Long-Range Planning Committee. This seminar would be moderated by the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

**SATURDAY - Seminar on Social Services:** Temperance Committee, Woman's Association, National Reform Association and the Board of Pension Trustees. This seminar would be moderated by the Chairman of the Temperance Committee.

**Seminar on Interdenominational Ministry and Correspondence** - Interchurch Committee, Reformation Translation Fellowship, and Fraternal Delegates. This seminar would be moderated by the Chairman of the Interchurch Committee.

- f. That Synod meet in constituted Court Monday, August 8, from 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. In this session each Board and Committee would be given ten minutes to report. At the end of ten minutes the report would be adopted or returned to the Board or Committee to report to the 1989 meeting of Synod.
  - g. That the Committees to Review Records of Presbyteries also be given the written Reports of the Presbyteries and make recommendations concerning their adoption.
  - h. That committees and boards forward their requests for nominations to the Nominating Committee and their requests to the Committee on Finance by the end of the Thursday afternoon session. That elections be held right after the break Monday morning. Elections to break ties be held, if necessary, at the request of the Chairman of the Nominating Committee.
2. That attendance be kept for members of Synod for all the constituted sessions of the Court and for the Friday and Saturday seminar hours. We would use the honor system. At the Monday morning session we would circulate a roll for each delegate to check.
  3. That the *1988 Minutes of Synod* include only those reports that are adopted by the Synod. Other reports may be included in the *Appendix* on the approval of the Synod.



4. That committees and boards be encouraged to report progress without recommendations. That where there is no written report in hand from a committee or board by the end of the Thursday afternoon session, that committee or board will orally report progress and be expected to report in full at the 1989 Synod.

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul M. Martin, Clerk  
Jonathan Leach, Assistant Clerk

The Report of the Committee on Finance was presented by Steven McMahan. Mr. McMahan led the Court in a prayer of thanksgiving to God for His gracious provision for the denomination in the past. Item 1 was adopted. Item 2 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 3-15 were adopted.

The Court took recess in prayer by Ronald Graham.

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1987, 1:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 66-C, the Court was reconvened in prayer by William Pihl.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.

The Report of the Committee on Finance was again taken up. Items 16-20 were adopted. The Clerk was instructed to note that the Court responded to the item 19 (regarding the work and remuneration of the Clerks with a round of applause). In fulfilment of Item 20 the Court was led in prayer by D. Howard Elliott. In his prayer he also asked God's blessing and direction in the elections to follow.

The Nominating Committee held the elections.

The Report of the Committee on Travel Funds and Absences was presented by David Long. Items 1-5 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRAVEL FUNDS AND ABSENCES

Your Committee reports that the 1987 Synod Travel Fund expenses totalled \$14,172.73 (plus whatever airfares were paid directly to Fairwind

Travel Agency in Pittsburgh by the Denominational Treasurer - approximately \$10,000). Total expenses there were approximately \$24,000 with 96 delegates participating, a decrease of 17 from last year.

Excused absences from meetings of Synod are indicated by an "E" on Synod's attendance roll.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the 1988 Synod travel allowance:
  - a. be determined for those traveling by air on the basis of air coach fare plus ground transportation to and from the airport;
  - b. be determined for those who drive on the basis of \$.20 per mile, plus tolls, unless air coach fare is less expensive, in which case the air coach fare shall be paid along with attendant cost;
  - c. reimburse round trip bus or train fare for those delegates using these modes of transportation.
2. That those who know themselves to be delegates to the 1988 Synod be urged to secure the lowest possible fares.
3. That the congregational travel fund assessment for the 1988 Synod be set by the Committee on Finance.
4. That the delegates be paid by check.
5. That Synod thank Miss Judy Linhart and Mr. Louis Hutmire for their help.

Respectfully submitted,  
David W. Long, Chairman  
Harry M. Metzger

**The Court returned to the Report of the Committee on Finance. The Report as a whole was adopted. It and accompanying documents follow:**

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

The Committee on Finance has met three times during the 1987 Synod and has responded to all matters referred to it. Our task has not been an easy one this year due to the over \$68,000 shortfall in contributions to Reformed Presbyterian Missions & Ministry (R.P.M. & M.) in 1986. We have appreciated the prayers of Synod as we have sought to make God-honoring recommendations. We have enjoyed and appreciated the work of the deacon delegates again this year. Our special thanks should be noted to Marcia Seebring, a 1986 deacon delegate, who prepared a *Deacon Delegate's Notebook* for our use. We continue to encourage presbyteries to send these delegates, and, in order to provide them with preliminary information, we have requested their names in advance.

Recommendations:

1. That Presbyteries choose their deacon delegates well in advance of Synod, and forward their names and addresses to both the Clerk of Synod and to the Chairman of the Committee on Finance. This will allow a *Docket* and the *Deacon Delegate's Notebook* to be sent out in advance.
2. That since the terms of Robert Copeland and Don Lamont expire at this meeting of Synod, and since Dennis Wing has declined to serve in this capacity (Class of 1989), the following persons be nominated for the Committee on Finance: Marcia Seebring, Deacon, Greeley; Don Lamont, Deacon, Seattle; Brent Wells, Deacon, Columbus; and D. Howard Elliott, Elder, Winchester.
3. That the 1986 Synod's Board of Trustees Audit Report be accepted as distributed and that pages 1,2,3 and 5 be printed in the *Minutes of Synod*.
4. That the 1986 Pension Trustees Audit Report be accepted as distributed and the pages 1-3 be printed in the *Minutes of Synod*.
5. That the 1986 Treasurer's Report be received for information.
6. That Synod set the uniform contribution rate at \$400 for each participant in Pension Plan "B" for 1988.
7. That Synod set the congregational assessment for the Pension Fund for 1988 at \$12.00 per communicant member (based on membership as of December 31, 1987.)
8. That the Travel Fund Assessment for 1988 be set at \$8.00 per communicant member based on membership as of December 31, 1987. (This is the same as 1987.)
9. That the proposed budget for the Unallocated Denominational Office Expenses be approved which includes the salary of \$32,500 for the Denominational Treasurer (1987 salary - \$31,000).
10. That the following 1988 salaries as recommended by the E & P Board be approved: Director of Publications/Y.M. - \$26,500 (1987 - \$26,500; \$14,500 Compensation, \$12,000 housing); Managing Editors - \$25,200 (1987 - \$23,542).
11. That Synod grant permission to Geneva College to contact congregations of the denomination concerning its "Catalyst for Growth" campaign.
12. We understand the Foreign Mission Board's desire to implement the giving-response program as a request to make special financial appeals on a regular basis. Synod's past policy for its Boards is to allow no special appeals. We recommend that Synod continue this policy. However, we encourage the Foreign Mission Board to promote mission work, and we suggest this be done by means of a newsletter or other information sent to congregations and interested individuals.
13. That Synod grant the Graduate Study Fund the amount of \$32,895 from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund.

14. That Synod grant the Interchurch Committee the amount of \$1,000 for a contribution to the National Coalition Against Pornography from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund.
15. That \$68,644 be granted from Undesignated Funds of Synod to pay the R.P.M. & M. deficit for the year 1986, and that the allocation to Geneva College be reduced to \$20,000, unless additional undesignated funds are received in 1987 which would make the maximum allocation of 50% of the McLaughlin Trust income (up to \$50,000) possible.
16. That Synod approve the following 1988 disbursements from contributions and Undesignated Funds of Synod:

Requested	1988		
	Grant	Undesignated Funds	Totals
\$141,752 Education and Publication	\$ 85,700	\$14,300	\$100,000
150,000 Foreign Mission Board	77,100	12,900	90,000
30,000 Geneva College	8,600	1,400	10,000
-0- Home Mission Board	-0-	-0-	-0-
45,000 Pension Trustees	25,000	4,300	30,000
95,116 Seminary	55,700	9,300	65,000
32,000 Woman's Association	12,900	2,100	15,000
47,900 Miscellaneous Fund	34,300	5,700	40,000
<b>\$541,768 TOTALS</b>	<b>\$300,000</b>	<b>\$50,000</b>	<b>\$350,000</b>

17. That Synod instruct each Presbytery to appoint a person to visit each congregation under its care for the purpose of presenting the Reformed Presbyterian Mission and Ministry program. Materials will be furnished by the Stewardship Committee of Synod's Board of Trustees. Travel expenses will be paid by Synod's Miscellaneous Funds.
18. That Synod instruct the Denominational Treasurer to disburse the amount over \$300,000 raised the 1988 from congregations, individuals and Women's Synodical to the following Boards, Trustees, etc. per the percentages shown:

Education and Publication	21.8%
Foreign Mission Board	31.3%
Geneva College	10.4%
Home Mission Board	0.0%
Pension Trustees	7.8%
Seminary	15.7%
Woman's Association	8.9%
Miscellaneous Fund	4.1%

19. That Synod pay the room and board at Synod meetings for the Clerk of Synod and the Assistant Clerk of Synod, and that the Clerk of Synod be paid an annual remuneration of \$500 per year from Synod's Miscellaneous Fund.
20. That following the adoption of this Report, Synod rise for prayer for continued financial blessing, as led by D. Howard Elliott.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Catloth  
Robert Copeland  
Brent Wells  
Louis D. Hutmire,  
Treasurer

Tom Fisher, Deacon  
Bill Metcalfe  
Glenn Schott

Don Lamont, Deacon  
Steven McMahan,  
Chairman  
Rt. 1 Clay Center, KS  
67432

In approving recommendation #3 of the Finance Committee, the Audit Report of the Trustees of the Synod was accepted as distributed (a copy was given to each delegate of Synod), and pages 1, 2, 3 and 5 were to be printed in the *Minutes of Synod*. The auditors requested that their opinion not be printed unless the full report was printed. Therefore only pages 3 and 5 are being printed. Copies of the full report are available at the Treasurer's Office.



TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1986

ASSETS	NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING		PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE FUNDS		TOTAL FUNDS
		UNDESIGNATED	UNRESTRICTED DESIGNATED		ENDOWMENT	ANNUITY AND LIFE INCOME	
Cash and investments	1,2	\$132,191	\$ 502,408		\$2,629,429	\$872,861	\$5,161,776
Accounts and notes receivable		13,745	32,393				56,861
Contributions receivable	1		37,947				37,947
Accrued investment income receivable			47,726			14,660	75,019
Prepaid pension expense			10,064				10,064
Deferred student aid receivable							
(Net of allowance for uncollectible accounts of \$24,000)							
Inventories	1		75,603				75,603
Building loans receivable	3		32,029				32,029
Property and equipment - net	1,4		379,090	\$100,713			379,090
Other assets			43,500				100,713
TOTAL		<u>\$145,936</u>	<u>\$1,160,760</u>	<u>\$100,713</u>	<u>\$2,629,429</u>	<u>\$885,319</u>	<u>\$5,977,577</u>
LIABILITIES, DEFERRED RESTRICTED AMOUNTS AND FUND BALANCES							
Accounts payable and accrued expenses		\$ 6,853	\$ 77,200		\$ 10,163	\$ 50,824	\$ 145,040
Due to Pension Plan "B"			7,972				7,972
Deferred pension credit			4,724				4,724
Payable to denomination-related organizations	1,5					98,323	
Revocable trusts	1						1,061,390
Total liabilities		<u>6,853</u>	<u>89,896</u>		<u>10,163</u>	<u>149,147</u>	<u>42,638</u>
Deferred restricted amounts	1,5					<u>736,172</u>	<u>1,261,764</u>
Fund balances:							<u>785,887</u>
Unrestricted:							
Designated			1,070,864	\$100,713			1,171,577
Undesignated		139,083					139,083
Restricted				100,713	2,619,266		2,619,266
Total fund balances		<u>139,083</u>	<u>1,070,864</u>	<u>100,713</u>	<u>2,619,266</u>		<u>3,929,926</u>
TOTAL		<u>\$145,936</u>	<u>\$1,160,760</u>	<u>\$100,713</u>	<u>\$2,629,429</u>	<u>\$885,319</u>	<u>\$5,977,577</u>

See notes to financial statements.

TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

## STATEMENT OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE, EXPENSES, CAPITAL ADDITIONS, AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1986

NOTES	EXPENDABLE FUNDS -- OPERATING			PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT FUND	NONEXPENDABLE ENDOWMENT FUNDS	TOTAL FUNDS
	UNDESIGNATED	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED			
<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE:</b>						
Contributions to Synod's budget		\$ 261,356			\$	\$ 261,356
Other contributions		90,838			400	91,238
Bequests	\$182,047	50,695				232,742
Investment income	83,555	227,738	\$ 7,002			318,295
Sales of publications, etc.		31,754				31,754
Tuition, fees and assessments		163,694				163,694
Net gain on investment transactions		57,867	1,474			59,341
Rental income		34,311				34,311
Other income	5,432	28,372	184			33,988
Total	<u>271,034</u>	<u>946,625</u>	<u>8,660</u>		<u>400</u>	<u>1,226,719</u>
<b>EXPENSES:</b>						
Home mission		44,683				44,683
Theological seminary		352,232		\$ 15,462		367,694
Foreign mission		269,833				269,833
Education and publication		159,031		2,018		161,049
Pensions		174,762				174,762
Grants	52,545	99,350				151,895
Miscellaneous						32,545
General office and administration	76,974		5,400	3,032		104,750
Total	<u>129,519</u>	<u>1,099,891</u>	<u>5,400</u>	<u>20,512</u>		<u>1,255,322</u>
<b>EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE OVER EXPENSES BEFORE CAPITAL ADDITIONS, ETC.</b>	141,515	(153,266)	3,260	(20,512)	400	(28,603)
<b>CAPITAL ADDITIONS - Net gain on investment transactions</b>					360,495	360,495
<b>AMORTIZATION OF OVERFUNDING OF PENSION PLAN "B"</b>		15,049				15,049
<b>TRANSFERS BETWEEN FUNDS:</b>						
From undesignated for designated activities	(175,128)	175,128				
From unrestricted for equipment acquisitions	(1,529)	(11,667)		13,196		
From restricted to unrestricted designated		3,260	(3,260)			
From unrestricted designated to endowment fund		(5,000)			5,000	
<b>FUND BALANCES AT BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	174,225	1,047,360	NIL	108,029	2,253,371	3,582,985
<b>FUND BALANCES AT END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$139,083</u>	<u>\$1,070,864</u>	<u>NIL</u>	<u>\$100,713</u>	<u>\$2,619,266</u>	<u>\$3,929,976</u>

See notes to financial statements.

The following motion was adopted and referred to the Board of Trustees: That Synod's Board of Trustees consider the following as an expression of Synod: That Undesignated Funds coming to Synod before December 31, 1987 be distributed on the same basis as Item 18 of the Report of the Committee on Finance in 1988 recognizing the commitment to Geneva College in Item 15 of the same Report.

The Report of the Reformation Translation Fellowship was presented by Lester Kilpatrick. The Court heard from Charles Chao the Executive Secretary of the Fellowship. The Report was received and appears in the Appendix to the Report.

The Court took recess in prayer by James Curtis.

THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1987, 7:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 89-B, the Court was reconvened in prayer by David Willson.

The Roll was noted.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The Nominating Committee held a run-off election.

Glenn McFarland presented the Report of the Temperance Committee. Item 1 was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 2 and 3 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

We give thanks to our God and Savior for any progress made this year in fulfilling our task as your Temperance Committee. It is your Committee's conviction that our main task is to locate and promote the Biblical basis for temperance to the members of the Church. In our mind this includes advocating total abstinence from body-harming substances and sin-tempting situations. We also urge the utilization of temperance information available from public and scientific sources in fulfilling our task. Through these means of advocating temperance, it is our hope that the members of this branch of the Church will not have to personally experience the horrible alternative warned against in Scripture: "The way of the transgressor is hard." Instead the members of this Church will be blessed in their own lives and will be a blessing in this hedonistic generation in which we live.

We pledge that your Temperance Committee will be in the forefront of the effort to bring glory to Christ through the holy lives of the members of this branch of the Church. Then our Lord with gladness will "present His Church to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that it should be holy and without blemish" (Ephesians 5:27). These previous words follow Ephesians 5:1-18 with its warnings against all kinds of physical and spiritual immorality. This thought is fortified in Titus 2:14, "That He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a separate people zealous of good works."

To the purpose of this goal, your committee has sent our quarterly newsletters to each congregation of the Church. We also sponsored a Temperance Essay Contest to challenge our young people to be aware of all the temptations there are to intemperance in the Christian life. We pray that the interest generated in each congregation far exceeded the evidence of that interest in the number of entries to the contest.

Our coming year's plans include a Temperance Poster Contest. Entries will be displayed at the National Conference in 1988, D. V. Please urge your membership to enter this contest. Many public and Christian Schools use posters to alert their students to the evils of intemperance, so we believe this is an avenue open to the Church also. With the alluring advertising promoted by the media and our Church's new interpretation of temperance, our membership needs extra encouragement to practice Biblical temperance. We urge Sessions and superintendents of our congregations to use the mailings of the Committee as a beginning in sounding the alert to our membership.

Again, we desire to be used of the Church to publish the availability of good educational temperance material from sources not known to us. Please inform us of such material that our quarterly newsletters may include such information.

#### Recommendations:

1. That the term of Committee member Glenn McFarland ends with this meeting of Synod and his successor should be elected.
2. That Synod give thanks for the 24 youths of our congregations who entered the Temperance Essay Contest and that the Education and Publication staff review and consider printing some of the nine winning essays in future issues of the *Covenanter Witness*.
3. That Synod encourage the youth of each congregation to enter the Temperance Poster Contest this next year and put the posters on display for judging at the 1988 Carleton Conference.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Eileen Filbert  
 Paul Wright  
 Paul Finley  
 Glenn McFarland, Chairman

Joseph Lamont presented the Report of the Judicial Committee. One item concerning the question of whether a divorced person was qualified to serve in the office of elder or deacon was referred to the Judicial Committee.

### REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

It is the understanding of the Judicial Committee that the present practice of the Reformed Presbyterian Church is that an otherwise qualified person, who is an innocent party in a divorce, is eligible to hold the office of elder or deacon. An innocent party is one who either did not commit sin in matters related to the divorce or gives evidence of true repentance for sin. It is the finding of this Committee that this is a legitimate Biblical position. Consistent with this finding such persons are eligible for election to the office of elder or deacon.

James M. Wright  
Philip H. Pockras  
David C. Coon  
Randall Van Osdol  
H. Edmund Schisler  
Joseph Lamont, Chairman

Jonathan Leach presented the Report of the Committees to Review the Records of Presbyteries. Item 1 was referred to the St. Lawrence Presbytery to report to next year's meeting of Synod. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REVIEW RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

The Minutes of the following presbyteries were examined and nothing found contrary to the law and order of the church: Alleghenies, Atlantic, Iowa, Midwest, Ohio-Illinois, and the Japan Commission. Some items of a technical nature were noted, along with the suggestions for clerks. These were included in the returned Minute books.

Four pages were missing from the Minutes of the Presbytery of the Alleghenies and could not be examined. This was noted in their Minutes.

The Minutes of the Pacific Coast Presbytery were unavailable for review at this meeting of Synod.

The Committee to Review the Records of St. Lawrence Presbytery submit the following Report:

"Pages 245, 248—Minutes not yet signed by the Moderator.

"Page 246—In his examination for licensure, Christian Adjemian responded to Query Number 8 by saying, 'I do, in the spirit of the proposed revised query.' The effect of this answer was to decline to take Vow Number 8. Despite this, Mr. Adjemian was licensed.



“Your Committee believes that there are two distinct questions involved in this matter.

“(1.) Mr. Adjemian acted prematurely in responding to a proposal which had not become the law and order of the church, and the Presbytery acted prematurely in accepting such response. We recommend that the Judicial Committee be asked to render an opinion on the legal status of such premature actions taken in anticipation of a change.

“(2.) Because the existing Query Number 8 is the position of the church, we recommend that the St. Lawrence Presbytery be required to inform the Synod whether Mr. Adjemian is willing to subscribe to Query Number 8 as it stands, and to abide by its provisions in his practice.”

Beyond this, nothing was found contrary to the law and order of the church.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jonathan B. Leach  
Assistant Clerk of Synod

**Wayne Duffield made a partial report of the Nominating Committee which appears with the final Report of the Nominating Committee.**

**Donald Birdsall presented the Report of the Long-Range Planning Committee for Denominational Headquarters.**

**The Court was adjourned in prayer by Robert Copeland.**

**FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1987, 8:30 A.M.**

**Synod met pursuant to adjournment at Calvin Seminary Auditorium, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, Michigan, on Friday, June 19, 1987 at 8:30 a.m.**

**The Court was constituted in prayer by William Edgar.**

**Ronald Stegall led the Court in the worship of God. Following the singing of Psalm 119 Q, he read from the Word of God, Philippians 2: 5-11. He preached on the theme, “The Lordship of Christ.” After he led in prayer, the Court joined in singing Psalm 81-B.**

**The Roll was noted.**

**The Minutes were read, amended and adopted.**

**Wayne Duffield presented the final Report of the Nominating Committee. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

## REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

### I. The following committees were appointed

The Nominating Committee presents the following recommendations:

1. Committee on Psalter Revision: Robert McCracken, Chairman; Wanda Haney, Jocelle McDonald, Donald R. McBurney, Timothy Russell, John Schaeffer.
2. Committee on Psalm Translation: Roy Blackwood, Chairman; Clark Copeland, Jonathan Leach, Duncan Lowe, Dale Russell.  
Sub Committee under the Psalm Translation Committee: Robert Copeland, Robert Joyner, Charles McBurney, Boni Piper, Michael Tabon.  
That Synod approve the following persons, who have already been selected by the Australian and Irish Synods, to the Psalm Translation Committee: Hugh Blair, Norris Wilson, John McGregor, Lynsey Blakston, Alastair McEwen.
3. Presbyterian and Reformed Commission on Chaplains and Military Personnel: Sidney Van Camp, 1990; Ronald Good, 1989; Louis D. Hutmire, 1988.
4. Committee on Pornography: David Long, D. Raymond McCracken, Harry Metzger, Randy Van Osdol, John H. White.

### II. The following were elected:

#### Boards and Standing Committees:

1. Committee on Travel Funds and Absences: William Pihl—Class of 1989
2. Temperance Committee: Eileen Filber, Lawrence D. Kelley—Class of 1990
3. Committee on Finance: Donald Lamont—1989; D. Howard Elliott, Marcia Sebring—Class of 1990
4. Trustees of Synod: John P. Edgar—1989; Sam Chestnut, Steven McMahan, Alan Windham—Class of 1990
5. Board of Corporators of Geneva College—Timothy Russell—Class of 1990
6. Board of Education and Publication: Greg Adams, Patricia Boyle, David Long—Class of 1990
7. Board of Trustees of Synod: Robert Catloth, William Roberts, Charles Wise—Class of 1990
8. Board of Foreign Missions: Mrs. Beverly Carson, Robert McCracken, Daniel Copeland—Class of 1990; Robert Henning, Executive Secretary.
9. Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary: Robert Copeland, Dennis Wing—Class of 1993
10. Committee on Arrangements: William Blackwood, Robert Schmidtberger—Class of 1989

11. Interchurch Committee: John McMillan—Class of 1988; Paul M. Martin, Bruce C. Stewart—Class of 1990
12. Time and Place for the 1989 Synod: Kenneth Hoffman, Jerrold Milroy
13. Board of Home Missions: Jonathan Leach, Atlantic Presbytery; Donald Piper, Pacific Coast Presbytery; Martin Wilsey, Midwest Presbytery—Class of 1990.
14. Denominational Treasurer: Louis D. Hutmire—1990
15. Stated Clerk: Louis D. Hutmire—1990

### III. Letters of Remembrance

Blackwood, Roy	Felker, Donald
Carson, James	Carson, Norman
Coon, David	Wilsey, Martin
Copeland, Joe	More, Robert, Jr.
Duffield, Wayne	Caskey, Joseph
Elliott, D. Howard	McCracken, Paul D.
Good, Ronald	Copeland, Stanley
Gouge, Donald	Smith, Alvin W.
Hemphill, Bruce	Backensto, Bruce
Hemphill, E. Raymond	Sterrett, William
Hemphill, Robert	Burke, David
Henning, Robert	Youn, Samuel
Hoffman, Kenneth	Price, Thomas
Houston, Thomas	Miwa, Nobuo
Joseph, Ralph	Hutcheson, T. Richard
Joseph, Raymond	Sterrett, Charles
Kilpatrick, Lester	Edgar, Kermit
Lowe, Duncan	Leach, Charles
Martin, Philip	Price, George
McCracken, J. Paul	Spear, Gene
McCracken, Robert	Rice, Robert
McFarland, Robert	Peachy, David
McMahon, James	Hutcheson, T.M.
McMillan, John	Faris, Paul
McMillan, Robert	Thompson, Harold
Metzger, Harry	Harrington, Milton
Milroy, Jerry	Weilersbacher, Donald
Patterson, Paul	Fullerton, Robert
Pihl, William	Rowe, Carter
Piper, Donald	Swartz, Walter
Pockras, Philip	Basil, Fred
Reid, Thomas	Martin, Melville
Russell, Timothy	Wilson, Paul
Schmidtberger, Robert	Robb, G.M.

Schutz, Frank  
Simons, William  
Smith, Kenneth  
Sterrett, Samuel  
Stewart, Bruce  
Tweed, John  
Tweed, Robert  
Van Camp, Sidney  
Watt, Jonathan  
Weir, William  
Wright, J. Renwick  
Wright, James  
Wright, R. Paul

Caskey, R. W.  
Mitchel, Waldo  
McElroy, June  
Morrow, Robert  
Willson, S. Bruce  
Coon, Philip  
Carson, David  
Paul, Joseph  
Takiura, Shigeru  
Masunaga, Toshio  
Kepple, Danuel  
Franklin, Godfrey  
John O. Edgar

**Keith Magill presented the Report on Paper 87-2. The Report was referred back to the Committee to report to the 1989 Synod.**

**William Simons presented the Resolution of Thanks. The Resolution was adopted. After the Court sang in praise to God Psalm 48-B, Raymond Joseph led in prayer of thanksgiving. The following resolution was adopted:**

### RESOLUTION OF THANKS

We thank God for his mercy toward us in protecting us in our travels, in ministering to those of us who were sick, in preserving the rest of us in good health, in sustaining our bodies with an abundance of food and our souls with an abundance of nourishment from His Word. We thank God for ministering to us through those who exhorted, encouraged and rebuked us from the floor of Synod, in board and committee meetings and in more personal gatherings throughout the week. We thank God for lifting our spirits and drawing us closer to Himself through the reading and preaching of His Word, through the singing of Psalms, through fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ and through prayer. We thank Him for those who prepared our meals, who maintained the buildings we used and who administered the routine details of our daily needs here in Grand Rapids. We particularly thank God for Judy Linhart's faithfulness in preparing our reports and papers.

We thank God for the responsibilities He has given us at Synod, for the work He has accomplished through us in the past year and for the assignments He has given us in the year ahead. We thank Him for the desire and the talents He has given the presbyteries, boards and committees to fulfill their duties in an orderly way that glorifies Him yet reminds us how far short we have fallen from the perfect image in which He has created us. We thank Him for promising to meet our needs as individuals, families, congregations and as a denomination.

For using us, His unworthy servants, to accomplish His worthy and eternal purposes, we thank our sovereign God and our Lord Jesus Christ by praising Him in singing Psalm 48-B and by asking Him in prayer for His blessing and for success in doing the work He has given us in His church.

Respectfully submitted,  
William Simons  
Raymond Joseph

**By special resolution the Resolution of Thanks is to be sent to various interested people at the determination of the Clerks.**

**The Report of the Long-Range Committee On Denominational Headquarters was taken up and returned to the Committee to give a progress report to the 1988 meeting of Synod.**

**The Court returned to the Report of the Board of Foreign Missions. Item 7 was adopted. Item 8 was adopted with a standing round of applause by the Synod. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

### **REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD**

**"I am the LORD, that is My Name; I will not give My glory to another."**

#### **Commendation**

We thank the Church for its response to the work of foreign missions and its desire to lift up the singular name of our God in several parts of a lost world during the past year.

We thank the Women's Missionary Fellowship for its support through its synodical and in the local congregations. The two thankoffering meetings which many congregations schedule each year help in keeping missions in the forefront of people's minds. It is good to hear of the Congregational Missions Committees which have been organized and which build concern for overseas work. These involve an increasing number of men and youth in this promotion. It has been some handicap not to have had several R. P. missionaries available to send to many congregations for these meetings, but we can assure the Church that this occurs only occasionally due to furlough schedules. We commend those congregations which have planned special missions conferences, and those who are presently giving much support and oversight to personnel abroad. Each congregation is urged to emphasize the task of foreign missions in the coming year.



### Mission Promotion

We desire to help the denomination with its mission emphasis even when we do not have missionaries on furlough. One of two slide/cassette programs featuring R. P. mission work are usually available each year and can be obtained from Jonathan Watt, Assistant Executive Secretary. The Home and Foreign Mission Boards have jointly purchased a remarkable three-cassette VHS program, produced by MARC Publications, which can be distributed and used by the churches. Its titles are "God and the City," "Understanding the City" and "Together in the City." It features Ray Bakke of Northern Baptist Seminary. This series of excellent professional quality should have a significant impact on any congregation which uses it. The Japan missionaries are preparing a new video about their work. Prayer cards are in preparation for use in our churches and homes so that our prayer support can become more personal. The Mission Prayer Phone continues to provide new information each week and has seen increased use during the past year. These things are a necessary part in the continuing development of World Christians in the R. P. Church.

Our young people are showing increasing interest in overseas work. This was felt during the Mission Emphasis Program at Geneva College in February. Donald Piper (Seattle, WA) was the chief speaker, and he put a great deal of emphasis on our missionary alertness and ministry where we are right now. In connection with that program the Board employed an eight-minute IBM diskette which presented a visual call for listeners to consider a missions career. This also is available to congregations.

### New Field Considerations

We reported last year that we were considering Liberia as a possible new field. A two-man team, Robert Henning and Jonathan Watt, was scheduled to visit the country during May. They were seeking to determine whether the gifts and expertise which God has given to the R. P. Church can be of help in extending God's Kingdom there. They will report to the Synod, D. V. Donald Cassell is planning to complete his work in the R. P. Seminary next year, and we are contributing to his travel this summer to Liberia so that we have his help in exploring the possibilities there. We believe that his participation in this project is necessary so that he too can have an update on the spiritual needs now existing in his own country. (He has been away from home for about six years.) It is important for us not to rule out other new field possibilities such as Mexico City. But we believe it is necessary to explore where the Lord seems to be providing assisting personnel.

## Mission Personnel

In preparation for medical service in Zaire, Bill and Margaret McElroy (Topeka, KS) studied tropical medicine in England last fall and have been studying the French language in France since January. They are to be assigned in Zaire the last part of July. William Gould (State College, PA) is still planning for work in a Muslim country, but he has faced some delays in the completion of his graduate work.

Marcia Elliott (Greeley, CO) received her visa permitting her to exit and re-enter Indonesia following her furlough. She received it on December 17 and left the country for the United States on December 21. We thank God for this answer to our prayers. Pray for her as she plans to return in the late summer or fall.

Beth Carlson, (Seattle, WA) continues her work in Malaysia and asks for our prayers as she teaches the children of missionaries. Kelly and Judy Moore (Hays, KS) left for Cyprus the first of April after eight months of working for the Middle East Reformed Fellowship. Kelly is planning to continue his preparation for ordination under the care of Midwest Presbytery and will work this summer with Dwight Zeller at Sangre de Cristo Seminary in Westcliffe, CO.

The Board continues the support of the Reformation Translation Fellowship, particularly by the paying of Charles Chao's salary. We keep in touch with the blessing of God upon this work and we receive regular reports from it. Synod also has access to these reports.

With respect to those assigned work in Japan, Charles and Susan Leach returned there on June 25, 1986, where their son, Matthew, was born on September 4. Dolores Cook will complete her work as a teacher and Mission Treasurer in Japan on June 1 and plans to return home via the British Isles. The Bill Sterretts' are to be furloughed beginning in August and continuing until the following June. The Mission and Japan Commission have asked the Raymond Hemphills, who have been serving in the Hetherton, MI, congregation, to return to Japan to work in Kita Suzurandai during the Sterretts' furlough. They have accepted this assignment. They plan to arrive in Japan a short time before the Sterretts leave. The Gene Spears continue to be used by the Lord in the building of the church in Mukonosu, and we are thankful for the progress God is giving them. Orlena Lynn continues her important work in the Book Store. We have asked for her suggestions regarding plans for future leadership there. Such plans need to be made several years in advance. The mission work among Korean people in Japan has moved slowly and steadily and there have been many difficulties. Pray for the Samuel Youns as they continue this outreach in yet another part of the Kobe area. The Commission is hopeful that another congregation might be organized before long with the group which is meeting in the office of Dr. Sakai, an elder in the Higashi Suma congregation. Pray for each of these mission efforts as well as for the three congregations and their teaching elders, Pastors Masunaga, Takiura and Miwa.

### Administration

We reported last year that we were studying the structure of our Board. Some realignment of work was made and new job descriptions prepared for Board officers. The major change related to the position of Executive Secretary. Effective July 1, if the Synod approves, the office of Executive Secretary will be held by a person outside the Board membership. It is thought that this will reflect better management principles. Robert Henning has been appointed to continue as Executive Secretary for another year following Synod, again subject to the approval of Synod. In looking to the future it is the thought of this Board that the position would not necessarily have to be held by a teaching elder but could be held by any ordained man whom the Board felt met its qualifications for the position.

### Summer Project

The Board has been supportive of the plans made by three Colorado congregations in sponsoring a Mexico Summer Mission Project for June 10-24, primarily for high school students. The ARP Foreign Mission Office has been willing to have the team join them for one week of their summer program, involving study, physical labor and observing gospel work in another culture. Project locations will include Rioverde and San Luis Potisi in central Mexico. At this writing, twelve high school students are signed up to attend and five college and post-college youth will oversee. Sidney and Judy Van Camp (Aurora, CO) will accompany the team as consultants. (Sid served earlier as a missionary in Mexico.) It is hoped that this will become a continuing project.

### Financial Plans

The Board feels it to be important to set before Synod something of the financial situation which has arisen during the last few months. The following facts will influence Synod in its response to this report. However, they are not being set forth to cause unrealistic alarm, rather to help the Church to see the height and breadth of the challenge we have before us.

Looking at the Japan Field first, the total budgeted figure for 1986 R.P. mission work there at the beginning of the year was approximately \$192,000. Due to a sudden deterioration in the yen/dollar exchange rate, the closing figure for 1986 was \$212,000, a difference of \$20,000. At the beginning of 1987, our total budget for Japan was \$227,000. By February it had risen to \$230,000, and by May 31 we were facing an inflated budget of \$257,000.

Reformed Presbyterian assets on the Island of Cyprus are being removed regularly, but according to strict government control. For several years these funds have been earmarked for our New Field Account. But of late we have been required to depend on these funds supporting our Current Account. In 1986, money from the New Field Account was combined with money being received from Cyprus, and the total required for the Current Account was \$75,000.

These financial developments continue on into 1987 and up until the present. What is the effect upon our total missions budget? We anticipated closing 1986 with a balanced budget (the overdraft was \$2700). By February of 1987 we were anticipating an overdraft of \$36,000 at the end of the year. And with the continuing deterioration of the yen/dollar exchange rate, at this Synod meeting we are looking at the possibility of closing 1987 with an overdraft of approximately \$63,000.

Synod can easily see, from these figures, the need for increased financial support for denominational work abroad. The change in Recommendation 3 from a \$120,000 request from R.P.M. & M. to \$150,000 is an immediate reflection of this need.

Our desire is to develop more direct and personal giving throughout the Church so that the prayer support and personal interest will also achieve a higher level. The Board considers such promotion as an important part of its function. John Mainer, the Executive Secretary of **World Witness** of the ARP Church, addressed the Board at its February meeting. He described the progress of their mission work over the past ten years since he was appointed to his office. The number of missionaries has grown from seven to forty-eight and their goal is to double that number within the next few years with the support of their denominational budget and direct, personal giving. Their budget increased from about \$250,000 a few years ago to \$1,910,689 in 1986. At the same time their denominational budget has not declined. Our goals are more modest than theirs at present but we do need to expand our budget considerably in order to continue our present work and also open a new field. We believe that a program of more direct and personal giving would be a positive step toward achieving these goals.

#### Recommendations:

1. That, since the terms of Beverly Carson, Daniel Copeland and Robert Henning expire, their positions be filled by the Synod.
2. That the Japan Commission be made up of all teaching elders and one ruling elder from each congregation in Japan.
3. That this Board be granted \$150,000 from the R. P. Missions and Ministry Fund for 1988.
4. That Synod approve the plan of the Board to elect an Executive Secretary who is not serving as a Board member. This man would be approved by Synod.
5. That Robert Henning be chosen to fill this position for the coming year as a part-time executive secretary.
6. That in view of plans to carry out more effective promotions of foreign mission work, and the desire to band together intercessors, givers, missionaries, and mission programs, Synod approve the inclusion of giving-response materials with the intercessory information sent out by the F.M.B. to individuals and groups. These would encourage direct giving to the work of foreign missions. The Board

believes that such support is essential both to sustain the present mission programs of the denomination and to give impetus to new work presently being investigated and considered.

7. That the F.M.B. seek to establish a Third World Urban Mission Team. Based on our present research, the field would tentatively be Monrovia, Liberia, with a goal of church planting along with Biblical and theological education. The Team would consist of four or five units, including at least two elders. It would have a projected entry date of 1990, with an estimated annual budget of \$75,000—\$100,000.
8. That Synod recognize the thirty-one (31) consecutive years in which Robert Henning has served the Church on the F.M.B., and that it express its heartfelt thanks to him for his faithful and untiring service to foreign missions.

Respectfully submitted,  
J. Paul McCracken, President

Bruce Stewart presented the Report of the Committee to Revise the Directory of Church Government. They were reporting on Paper 87-2. The item entitled "Proposal for a Mission Church" was adopted by more than a two-thirds majority vote. The item entitled "In Response to the Report on Ministerial Credentials" was adopted.

The Court was recessed in prayer by Robert Tweed.

FRIDAY, JUNE 19, 1987, 1:30 P.M.

Following the singing of Psalm 67-B the Court was reconvened in prayer by Paul Martin.

The Minutes were read and adopted.

The Roll was noted.

The Court returned to the Report of the Committee to Study the Status of Ministers without Pastorates. Items 7 and 11 were amended and adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE STATUS OF MINISTERS WITHOUT PASTORATES

##### Introduction

At the 1986 meeting of Synod, this Committee was appointed to study the status of ministers without pastorates and to propose recommenda-



tions to the 1987 meeting of Synod. Of particular concern was the meaning of ordination and the subsequent status of men who have been ordained as teaching elders who are not now in a role functionally consistent with the calling of a minister of the gospel. While noting that the 1968 Synod considered a report on the same issue and arrived at substantially the same conclusions (1968 Minutes, pp. 42-45), your Committee submits this report in response to the above assignment.

### Overview of Ordination

The word “ordain” means to set in order, to arrange, or to establish. In the Authorized Version, the word “ordain” translates as many as 35 different words from the original languages. According to the ISBE, ordination is “the act of arranging in regular order, especially the act of investing with ministerial or sacerdotal rank; the setting apart for an office in the Christian ministry.”

James Bannerman in *The Church of Christ* says, “Ordination is the solemn act of the Church in admitting a man to the office of ministry, and giving him a right and title to discharge its functions. In all ordinary circumstances it is necessary to a man’s entering on the work of the ministry lawfully; and without it he has no authority to exercise the office. It is to be carefully marked that it does not confer the office. Christ confers the office by his own call, addressed to whom he will. But it invests with the office or admits to it. And in the act of investiture, or admission by the church with the laying on of hands, and prayer, all the promises connected with the office are fulfilled, and the special blessing or grace suited to the office will be conferred. The act of ordination itself does not, and cannot, confer the blessing as if *ex opere operato*. It is not a charm; nor does it act like a charm in the way of imparting grace . . . At the moment of being ordained to the office, and in the subsequent discharge of its duties, there will be grace given sufficient for the office . . . Ordination is less than a charm, but more than a form.”

Bannerman goes on to say that ordination is simple admission to office (Acts 13: 1-3; II Timothy 1: 6; I Timothy 4: 14; 5: 22); and that the laying on of hands does not convey extraordinary gifts, supernatural grace, or priestly character.

The 1968 Synod adopted the following statement on ordination: “Ordination is the solemn, formal recognition of the candidate’s call from God and from the people, with a formal authentication and designation of him as an officer before God and His people. It does not confer the right of office. Christ does that. It is the church’s admission of an individual to the discharge of the office to which Christ called him.”

There is no Scriptural evidence that Jesus’ twelve disciples were set apart by any formal act, but in the apostolic age there are instances of the formal appointment or recognition of those who have given proof of their spiritual qualifications. In this regard, the following facts should be noted:

1. The Seven chosen by the brethren in Acts 6 were already "full of the Spirit and wisdom;" they were then appointed by the Twelve, who prayed and laid hands on them (Acts 6: 1-6).
2. The call of Barnabas and Saul came directly from God (Acts 13: 2). They were then "set apart" (ordained). Hands were laid on them and they were sent out by the church at Antioch. This all took place in the context of worship, fasting, and prayer.
3. Paul and Barnabas are said to have appointed or ordained elders (Acts 14: 23).
4. The gift of Timothy for evangelistic work was formally recognized by the laying on of hands.

Calvin in his *Institutes*, says that the apostles "signified by the laying on of hands that they were offering to God him whom they were receiving into the ministry. However, they used it also with those whom they conferred the visible graces of the Spirit (Acts 19: 6)."

The Westminster Assembly addressed the subject of ordination in their very first document (*Form of Presbyterian Church Government*), as discussed by Dr. Wayne R. Spear in his dissertation, *Covenanted Uniformity in Religion: The Influence of the Scottish Commissioners upon the Ecclesiology of the Westminster Assembly*. Regarding ordination, the Assembly made many principal statements, including the following:

1. No man ought to take upon him the office of a minister of the word without a lawful calling. (John 3: 27; Romans 10: 14, 15; Jeremiah 14: 14; Hebrews 5: 4)
2. Ordination is always to be continued in the church. (Titus 1: 5; I Timothy 5: 21, 22)
3. Ordination is the solemn setting apart of a person to some public church office. (Numbers 8: 10, 11, 14, 19, 22; Acts 6: 3, 5, 6)
4. Every minister of the word is to be ordained by imposition of hands, and prayer, with fasting, by those preaching presbyters to whom it doth belong. (I Timothy 5: 22; Acts 14: 23; 13: 3)
5. It is agreeable to the word of God, and very expedient, that such as are ordained ministers, be designed to some particular church, or some other ministerial charge. (Acts 14: 23; Titus 1: 5; Acts 20: 17, 28)
6. He that is to be an ordained minister, must be duly qualified, both for life and ministerial abilities, according to the rules of the apostle. (I Timothy 3: 2-6; Titus 1: 5-9)
7. He is to be examined and approved by those by whom he is to be ordained. (I Timothy 3: 7, 10; I Timothy 5: 22)

Ordination, then, officially recognizes the *gifting* of the Holy Spirit, the *call* of Christ through His church, and the individual's *exercise* of these gifts in a particular ministry. It involves the assignment of certain *responsibilities* within the body of the church by the appointment of Christ and

the *authority* to carry out these responsibilities under His headship and in due submission to the courts of the church.

### Discharging the Responsibilities of a Teaching Elder

The Word of God warns us to be aware of the schemes of Satan (I Peter 5: 8; II Corinthians 2: 11). He often attacks the servants of God through discouragement, doubt, neglect, and even the loss of assurance of the call of God. Calvin says, "If anyone would be deemed a true minister of the church, he must first be duly called, and secondly, he must answer to his calling; that is, undertake and execute the office assigned to him. There must be fidelity in discharging the office." The 1968 Committee further reminds us that "The minister is a man under orders. Only the One who gave his orders can change or end them. The Scriptures say nothing of a man's right or privilege of turning aside from the task of the ministry. The very nature of the appointment precludes the supposition."

It should be further stated, however, that your Committee is also in agreement with the 1968 Committee that leaving the pastorate is not equivalent to leaving the ministry. The RPCNA has long recognized certain other forms of ministry as being functionally equivalent to the pastorate. Just what these functionally equivalent ministries are, in particular cases, is best left to the determination of the presbytery.

If it is determined by presbytery that a man has not performed ministry functionally consistent with the calling of a minister of the gospel for a certain period of time, presbytery should declare his status to be inactive with respect to that office. This does not affect his ordination, but does recognize that an active teaching elder must exercise his gifts in a particular situation that closely relates to the preaching/pastoral ministry.

### Recommendations:

- 1a. That each presbytery in the administration of oversight give careful consideration of gifts, calling and exercise of gifts of teaching elders under its care.
- 1b. That a teaching elder in good standing ordinarily be encouraged to use his gifts actively throughout his lifetime in ministry functionally consistent with the calling of a minister of the gospel.
2. That a teaching elder in good standing, not in the pastorate, be retained on active status in his presbytery, provided that:
  - a) Presbytery approves of his ministry as being functionally consistent with the call of a minister of the gospel in the RPCNA; and that
  - b) He (the teaching elder) makes regular reports to presbytery for review, analysis, and supervisory counsel; and that
  - c) He (the teaching elder) attends at least one meeting of presbytery annually, unless excused for good cause.

3. That a teaching elder compelled by age or infirmity to retire from active duties of the ministry retain the honor and title of a minister of the gospel and be granted the full privileges thereof.
4. That a teaching elder retained on the active roll of presbytery who is not serving in the pastorate have the nature of his ministerial function stated in his presbytery's annual report to Synod.
5. That a teaching elder not approved by presbytery as performing ministry functionally consistent with the calling of a minister of the gospel, after a period of five consecutive years in such status, be declared inactive with respect to that particular office.
6. That a teaching elder declared to be inactive (referred to as an "inactive teaching elder" throughout the remainder of this report) ordinarily be encouraged to serve as a ruling elder in his local congregation when called upon to do so.
7. That an inactive teaching elder be ineligible to serve as a voting member of Synod or presbytery and not be entitled to voting privileges or travel funds. (This does not apply to a man who is representing his local congregation as a ruling elder, or to a man who is eligible to have travel funds provided for him because of other responsibilities.)
8. That an inactive teaching elder be allowed to preach, administer the sacraments, and perform weddings when permitted by presbytery to do so.
9. That an inactive teaching elder have his gifts and calling re-evaluated by presbytery before a pastoral call is officially presented to him.
10. That a list of inactive teaching elders be published each year in the *Minutes of Synod*.
11. That II, E, 5 of our new *Directory for Church Government* be amended by adding a new "g" to read as follows: "Presbytery may also declare a teaching elder's status to be inactive if he is not approved by presbytery as performing ministry functionally consistent with the calling of a minister of the gospel for a period of five years." The statements in that section (II, E, 5) currently lettered g-k would be re-lettered appropriately. (See *1986 Minutes of Synod*, pp. 124).

Respectfully submitted,  
Wayne Duffield  
Roy McDonald  
William Roberts  
Jerry O'Neill, Chairman

**The Court returned to the Report of the Committee on Forms. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

### Committee to Rewrite the Forms in the Back of the Book of Church Government

This Committee was appointed by the Moderator of the Synod as shown in the *1986 Minutes of the Synod and Yearbook of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America* on page 102.

The Committee met and reviewed the *Directory of Church Government* as found in the *1986 Minutes of the Synod*, pages 102 - 144, and the Forms that were adopted in 1945.

#### Recommendations:

1. That in the Official Formularies - Queries for Ordination, Installation and Licensure, number 8, (*to licentiates*) be changed to read (*to person certified to preach or to licentiates*).
2. That all references concerning form numbers, as shown in the *Directory of Church Government* adopted by the 1986 Synod, be deleted.
3. That the following procedures be approved by Synod concerning this report:
  - A. That up to 15 minutes be allowed for floor discussion and debate on each form and that individual speeches be limited to three minutes. No amendments will be allowed from the floor.
  - B. That the revised *List of Forms* (forms 1 - 17) replace the present **List of Forms** (forms 1 - 17), and become the law and order of the church only upon adoption of all seventeen forms and the declaration by Synod of their adoption.
4. That the following be adopted:
  1. Certificate of Transfer of Membership
  2. Certificate for a Member who has Neglected the Ordinances
  3. Certificate of Teaching Elder to Synod
  4. Certificate of Delegates to Presbytery or Synod
  5. Petition for the Moderation of a Call
  6. Notice of a Congregational Meeting to Elect Ordained Officers
  7. Pastor's Call
  8. Chaplain's Call
  9. Missionary's Call
  10. Edict for Ordination and/or Installation of Ruling Elder or Deacon
  11. Certificate of Eligibility to Preach
  12. Certificate of Licensure
  13. Edict for Ordination and/or Installation of a Teaching Elder
  14. Transfer of a Call from one Presbytery to Another
  15. Certificate of Transfer of a Teaching Elder to Another Presbytery
  16. Ministerial Credentials
  17. Declaring a Pulpit Vacant



## Form 1

## CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the communicant member] \_\_\_\_\_ is a member of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_, and is at his/her own request, hereby dismissed to unite with the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_.

(The first paragraph may be amended to include other communicant members from the same family transferring to the same congregation. If there are baptized children, not communicant members, it should be noted here, and their name(s) should be recorded.)

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

This certificate is valid for one year from the date of issue for transfer within the denomination. For transfer from the denomination the transfer becomes effective immediately.

This certificate should be given to the communicant member(s). If the issuing Session desires to state exceptions, or grounds of censure in the certificate they should be noted above the signatures of the Clerk and Moderator. This certificate should be given to the communicant member(s).

## Form 1-A

## CERTIFICATE OF DISMISSAL

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the member] \_\_\_\_\_ was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ dismissed by us to the membership of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Congregation

(If the issuing Session desires to state exceptions they should be noted above the signatures of the Clerk and Moderator. This form should be sent to the receiving Session.)

Form 1-B  
CERTIFICATE OF RECEPTION

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
[name of the member] \_\_\_\_\_ was received into  
membership of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of  
the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
\_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

(This form is to be returned to the dismissing session.)

Form 2  
CERTIFICATE FOR A MEMBER WHO HAS NEGLECTED  
THE ORDINANCES

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ [name  
of the communicant member] \_\_\_\_\_, was a  
member in full communion of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and  
location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_ up to the \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, when he/she ceased  
the attendance of the ordinances of worship, and for a period of one year  
has failed to contribute, or to give any other evidence of interest and/or  
cannot be contacted; therefore the Session has hereby removed his/her  
name from the roll of communicant membership.

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
year \_\_\_\_\_, by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

(This certificate should be sent by certified mail to the last known  
address of the communicant member.)

Form 3  
CERTIFICATE OF TEACHING ELDER TO SYNOD

The \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the  
presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ has certified the  
following teaching elders to the meeting of Synod, on the \_\_\_\_\_ on the  
\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, at

\_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m., at \_\_\_\_\_ [location of  
the place of the meeting] \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
in the year \_\_\_\_\_, by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Presbytery/  
Clerk of the Ad Interim  
Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Presbytery/  
Clerk of the Ad Interim  
Commission

#### Form 4

#### CERTIFICATE OF DELEGATES TO PRESBYTERY OR SYNOD

The Session of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and  
location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_  
has certified the following elders to be delegates to the meeting of  
\_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery or synod] \_\_\_\_\_,  
meeting on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
year \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m., at \_\_\_\_\_ [location  
of the place of the meeting] \_\_\_\_\_. The membership of  
the congregation as of the last day of December was \_\_\_\_\_.

(This last sentence for congregation only.)

\_\_\_\_\_, Teaching Elder

\_\_\_\_\_, Teaching Elder

\_\_\_\_\_, Ruling Elder

\_\_\_\_\_, Ruling Elder

\_\_\_\_\_, Ruling Elder - Alternate

\_\_\_\_\_, Ruling Elder - Alternate

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
year \_\_\_\_\_, by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

**Form 5**  
**PETITION FOR THE MODERATION OF A CALL**

To the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_,  
meeting on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
year \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ [location of the meeting] \_\_\_\_\_.

The \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_  
being without a teaching elder serving as its pastor, the Session hereby  
petitions its presbytery to grant them the moderation of a Call, and to  
appoint an elder to moderate in the election.

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
year \_\_\_\_\_, by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

**Form 6**  
**NOTICE OF A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**  
**TO ELECT AN ORDAINED OFFICER(S)**

The Session having decided to conduct an election for a pastor/elder(s)/  
deacon(s), the congregation is called to meet on the \_\_\_\_\_  
day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_  
a.m./p.m., at \_\_\_\_\_ [place of the meeting] \_\_\_\_\_.

Members unable to be present may send absentee votes to the meeting  
enclosed in a sealed envelope, or given or mailed to the Clerk of Session.  
The envelope shall bear the name of the communicant member, and shall  
be addressed to the Session.

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
year \_\_\_\_\_, by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

Form 7  
PASTOR'S CALL

We, the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_, under the care of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_, being without a pastor to take the spiritual oversight of us in the Lord; and satisfied that your spiritual attainments, intellectual abilities and soundness in the faith and the Testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church are fitted to our capacities, do now, with the concurrence of Presbytery, call you, \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of the teaching elder] \_\_\_\_\_ to undertake the office of pastor among us. Upon your accepting this call and performing the duties of your office as set forth by the Constitution, we promise you all due respect and support in the Lord.

We hereby promise to pay you \_\_\_\_\_ [list the amount of the total compensation package] \_\_\_\_\_, in the event of your accepting this call, and performing the duties of a pastor among us - a direct compensation of \$\_\_\_\_\_, payable in \_\_\_\_\_ instalments of \$\_\_\_\_\_ each. Of this compensation \_\_\_\_\_% is designated as an allowance for furnishings and appurtenances for your dwelling as set forth by Section 107 of the T. R. CODE. (For a call issued outside of the United States, the last sentence has to be modified, following the word "dwelling.")

We include the following in the compensation package, except item 4 as shown below:

1. Housing (Indicate which of the following you will provide.)

Free use of the manse.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ per month to be used for housing.

\$\_\_\_\_\_ as an interest free loan to be used for down payment on housing.

Payment of utilities, water, gas, electricity, phone, trash service, etc.

Payment of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to be used for utilities.

List any other housing arrangements.

2. Business Expense

(Indicate which of the following you will provide by a check mark and/or fill in the amount.)

\_\_\_\_\_ Provide a car/van for church use.



\_\_\_\_\_ Mileage allowance as set forth by Synod.

Mileage allowance of \_\_\_\_\_ cents per mile.

Mileage allowance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month.

\_\_\_\_\_ Office materials and supplies.

Book allowance of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month.

\_\_\_\_\_ Study/office, equipment, telephone, etc.

Fees: \_\_\_\_\_ Synod; \_\_\_\_\_ Presbytery; \_\_\_\_\_ Presbytery  
Camps; \_\_\_\_\_ Seminars; \_\_\_\_\_ Educational Meetings;  
\_\_\_\_\_ [list any others].

\_\_\_\_\_ Secretarial services.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used for hospitality and/or entertainment expenses.

List any other business expenses to be paid.

### 3. Other Benefits

(Indicate which of the following you will provide by a check mark and/or fill in the amount.) Pension Plan: \_\_\_\_\_

Synod: \_\_\_\_\_ Annuity: \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Payment in lieu of  
Social Security. Health Insurance: [name of plan, and amount to be  
paid.]

\_\_\_\_\_ [number] \_\_\_\_\_ of weeks will be provided for vacation  
time each year.

Attendance at church functions: \_\_\_\_\_ time off for Synod;  
\_\_\_\_\_ Presbytery; \_\_\_\_\_ [number] of Communion(s)  
allowed each year in the congregations; \_\_\_\_\_ family youth  
conferences; \_\_\_\_\_ [list any others].

Non-financial compensation - e. g. food for locker, etc.

List any other special benefits.

### 4. Moving Expenses:

(Indicate which of the following you will provide.)

Cost of professional movers from present location to new location.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be used for moving expenses.

We promise to review annually with you the adequacy of this compensation prior to the adoption of the congregation's budget meeting to take into account the cost of living increase (eg. C.P.I.).

In witness thereof, we subscribe this call and financial agreement, the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, in the presence of these witnesses:

Elders: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Deacons: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Communicant Members

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Adherents:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Witnesses:

\_\_\_\_\_

**Attestation of a Call and Financial Agreement**

I hereby certify that this call and financial agreement were made out on the date therein specified in accord with the law and order of the church.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator

**Form 8  
CHAPLAIN'S CALL**

We, the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, call you \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of the teaching elder] \_\_\_\_\_ to undertake the office of missionary. We call you to the office of chaplain with the Armed Forces of \_\_\_\_\_ [name of nation] \_\_\_\_\_. We find that your spiritual attainments, intellectual abilities and soundness in the faith and the Testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America qualifies you for this call. Upon accepting this call and performing the duties of this office, we promise you all respect and support in the Lord.

All your compensation and other expenses related to this call will come from the Armed Forces of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the nation] \_\_\_\_\_.

During your tour of active duty in the Armed Forces, you will be required to attend the annual meeting of Synod and to make mandatory non-deductible contributions to the Pension Plan of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

During the time you are serving in North America, you will be required to make an annual report to this presbytery at that time. Other reports may be required by this presbytery.

In witness, thereof, we subscribe this call, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Presbytery/  
Clerk of the Ad Interim  
Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Presbytery/  
Moderator of the Ad Interim  
Commission

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_,  
 I \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of the teaching elder] \_\_\_\_\_,  
 do hereby accept this call.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (signature of teaching elder)

Form 9  
 MISSIONARY'S CALL

We, the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery or Board of Foreign Missions] \_\_\_\_\_ of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, being in need of a teaching elder to serve in \_\_\_\_\_ [name of location] \_\_\_\_\_ under the supervision of the Presbytery/Board in cooperation with \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the session/commission] . for the work of church planting; and satisfied that your spiritual attainments, intellectual abilities and soundness in the faith and the Testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America are fitted to our capacities, do now, with the concurrence of the church, call you \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of the teaching elder] \_\_\_\_\_, to undertake this work. Upon your accepting this call, and contingent on your passing our requirements, we promise to give you our prayerful support in the Lord.

In the event of your accepting this call and performing the duties outlined in our manual and in cooperation with the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the session/commission] \_\_\_\_\_, we promise to pay you according to the following scale in monthly installments plus other fringe benefits as approved by the Presbytery/Board. (Information concerning compensation, housing, travel, transportation to and from the field, outfit allowances provided, and other compensation arrangements should be listed here.)

By order of the Presbytery/Board this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Clerk of the Presbytery/  
 Executive Secretary/  
 Clerk of the Ad Interim  
 Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Moderator of the Presbytery/  
 President of the Board/  
 Moderator of the Ad Interim  
 Commission

Form 10  
EDICT FOR ORDINATION AND/OR INSTALLATION  
OF RULING ELDER OR DEACON

\_\_\_\_\_ [name of the elder(s) or the deacon(s)] \_\_\_\_\_, having been chosen to the office of ruling elder/deacon by this congregation, and having been examined by Session and judged qualified to take the office, notice is hereby given that the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ has been fixed as the time for the ordination and/or installation, with certification that the Session will proceed in the same matter, unless some valid objections be offered to the Session, which is appointed to meet on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./p.m., at \_\_\_\_\_ [place of meeting] \_\_\_\_\_. The meeting for the ordination and/or installation will be held at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m./ p.m., at \_\_\_\_\_ [place of the meeting] \_\_\_\_\_.

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session

Form 11  
CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY TO PREACH

This is to certify \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the one to be certified] \_\_\_\_\_ has been examined and approved by the \_\_\_\_\_ [presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America to be a candidate to preach the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. He may not administer the sacraments, perform marriages, nor pronounce the benediction.

This certification shall be for a term of five (5) years.

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Presbytery

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Presbytery

Form 12  
CERTIFICATE OF LICENSURE

This is to certify \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the one to be certified] \_\_\_\_\_ has been examined and approved by the \_\_\_\_\_ [presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_



of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America to be a candidate eligible for a call as a pastor in the church.

This licensure is for a term of five (5) years. He may not administer the sacraments, perform marriages, nor pronounce the benediction.

Given this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_ by order of the Session.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Presbytery

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Presbytery

### Form 13

## EDICT FOR ORDINATION AND/OR INSTALLATION OF A TEACHING ELDER

The \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ has received a call made by the \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_ upon \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of the one called] \_\_\_\_\_ to be their pastor, and has sustained it as a regular gospel call. He has signified his intention to accept the call. Notice is hereby given that the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, has been fixed as the time for his ordination and/or installation, with certification that the Presbytery will proceed in the same, unless some valid objections be offered to the Presbytery, which is to meet at \_\_\_\_\_ [place of meeting] \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

The meeting for the ordination and/or installation will be held at \_\_\_\_\_ a.m. /p.m., at \_\_\_\_\_ [place of the meeting] \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Session/  
Clerk of the Ad Interim  
Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Session/  
Moderator of the Ad Interim  
Commission

By order of the Presbytery this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

### Form 14

## TRANSFER OF A CALL FROM ONE PRESBYTERY TO ANOTHER

This call made by \_\_\_\_\_ [name and location of the congregation] \_\_\_\_\_ upon \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of the one called] \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

in the year \_\_\_\_\_, was made in accordance with the law and order of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, and has by \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ been sustained as a regular gospel call. It is hereby transfered to \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ of which \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of the one called] \_\_\_\_\_ is a member, for presentation.

By order of the Presbytery this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Presbytery/  
Clerk of the Ad Interim  
Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Presbytery/  
Moderator of the Ad Interim  
Commission

**Form 15**

**CERTIFICATE OF TRANSFER OF A TEACHING ELDER  
FROM ONE PRESBYTERY TO ANOTHER**

This certifies that \_\_\_\_\_ [full name of teaching elder] \_\_\_\_\_ has, until this date, been a teaching elder under the oversight of the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, and is hereby certified to the \_\_\_\_\_ [name of the presbytery] \_\_\_\_\_ at his own request. His credentials are in order and are attached to this certificate.

By order of the Presbytery this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the Presbytery/  
Clerk of the Ad Interim  
Commission

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of the Presbytery/  
Moderator of the Ad Interim  
Commission

**Form 16**

**MINISTERIAL CREDENTIALS**

**Certificate of Ministerial Credentials  
In the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name: (Last Name) (First Name) (Second Name)

Birthplace: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
Citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Baptized on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the  
year \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ congregation.

Profession of Faith on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
in the year \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ congregation.

Education

Institutions attended (High School +) From \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Diploma/Degree

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Record of Service

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Date	Presbytery
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1. Taken under care a student of theology

2. Certificate to Preach

3. Certificate of Licensure

4. Ordination

5. Other service in the church and other denomination(s)

Installed in \_\_\_\_\_ congr.

Released from \_\_\_\_\_ congr.

Installed in \_\_\_\_\_ congr.

Released from \_\_\_\_\_ congr.

Installed in \_\_\_\_\_ Bd/Pr.

Released from \_\_\_\_\_ Bd/Pr.

Installed in \_\_\_\_\_ Bd/Pr.

Released from \_\_\_\_\_ Bd/Pr.

Other: (Disciplinary actions, restorations, etc.)

Form 17  
DECLARING A PULPIT VACANT

The pastor of this congregation presented his resignation to Presbytery at its meeting at \_\_\_\_\_ [place of the meeting] \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_. The resignation was accepted, to take effect on the \_\_\_\_\_

day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_, and the pastoral relationship was dissolved. May the Lord guide the congregation to the choice of another under-shepherd.

(This form shall also contain presbytery's authorization and counsel regarding pulpit supply, administration of sacraments and moderating a call.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Presbytery/Ad Interim

\_\_\_\_\_  
Moderator of Presbytery/Ad Interim

This form should be sent to the Clerk of Session.

R. E. Catloth, Chairman  
Robert Henning  
Sidney Van Camp

**John Tweed presented the Report of the Committee to Handle Paper 87-5. Items 1-3 was adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:**

#### **COMMITTEE ON PAPER 87-5**

In answering the request of Paper 87-5 the Committee would recommend:

That Synod suggest that presbytery clerks include the following information in preparing their report to Synod. The reason for specifying these things is to help Synod focus concretely upon the real state of our church, its needs and blessings, and the direction in which God would have us proceed.

1. The statistical and factual data would also include names of pastors, who were installed or who resigned during the year, names of new deacons and ruling elders, and membership and attendance figures. It would also be helpful to point out any trends of significance in this data.
2. That the presbytery state in brief its particular situation, summarize its plans and goals within that situation, and indicate its measured progress thus far.
3. That the presbytery's report to Synod conclude with two or three prayer items pertinent to the success of the presbytery in its mission.

Respectfully submitted,  
John Tweed, Chairman  
Duncan Lowe  
James Morton



By special resolution the deleted portion of the previous Report was ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes.

The Court returned to the Report of the Committee to Revise the Directory of Church Government. General Items 1 and 2 were adopted. The Report as a whole was adopted and it and the corrections to the Directory of Church Government follow:

### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO REWRITE THE DIRECTORY OF CHURCH GOVERNMENT

(To be inserted in the *Directory for Church Government*, Chapter 6, between paragraphs 11 and 12, thus becoming new paragraph 12)

In the case of a "new mission work," a presbytery, or a commission of presbytery, may establish a mission church. The mission church differs from an organized congregation in that it has no permanent governing body of its own, and therefore must have the special oversight of presbytery. However, it is the purpose of the mission church to mature and become an organized congregation as soon as this is feasible. The status of a mission church shall be reviewed by the presbytery on an annual basis.

Because of its transitional nature, the mission church requires temporary organization. The right to administer the sacraments, to receive members, and to exercise discipline would be the responsibility of the temporary governing body, which may be established by presbytery in one of the following ways:

- (a) The presbytery may co-operate with the session of an existing congregation in arranging a parent-child relationship. The session of the parent congregation would be appointed by presbytery to serve as the temporary governing body of the mission church.
- (b) The presbytery may appoint a commission to serve as the temporary governing body of the mission church.
- (c) The presbytery may appoint a provisional session consisting of at least two elders who are already involved with, and on the site of the prospective mission church and/or other elders as the presbytery deems necessary. This provisional session may be appointed for a period of up to one year.

Members thus received into a mission church are communicant or baptised members of the RPCNA. Mission churches shall maintain their own rolls of communicant and baptized members in the same manner as an organized congregation. However, the financial assessments for an organized congregation may be waived in the case of a mission church.

Mission churches and their members shall have the full rights of judicial process of the courts in appeal from their governing body, and shall

enjoy the same status as organized congregations in relation to civil government.

Organization of a mission church need not require a special meeting of presbytery but may proceed simply by a decision of presbytery. Such action should be conveyed in writing to the mission church's temporary governing body. This process is outlined in Chapter 2.

#### Corollary Changes Arising from the Proposal for a Mission Church

1. I, #2, 1.4, after "assume this function" add *or delegate it to a temporary governing body*. (See chapter 6, #12)
2. I, #2, 1.5, delete "new"; replace with *foreign*.
3. I, #14, 1.1, delete "transitional"; replace with *temporary*.
4. I, #14, 1.2, after "may be used for" add *for a mission church or may authorize the temporary governing body to receive members on such a roll*.
5. 2, #14, 1.7, Delete "mission or."

#### In response to the Report on Ministerial Credentials:

II, E, 5, add between g and h "If presbytery decides that a teaching elder's situation and/or vocation are inconsistent with the calling of a minister of the Gospel, the presbytery may, after a period of five consecutive years declare his status to be inactive." General Recommendations:

1. That sessions be asked at their next regular meeting to receive teaching elders on the rolls of presbytery as members of appropriate congregations.
2. That the Committee be dismissed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bruce C. Stewart, Chairman

#### Corrections to be Made in the Copy of the *Directory for Church Government*

Page 1, Line 12 - after "simple majority vote" delete the rest of the sentence, and add *decide to use the procedure of sending proposed amendments down in overture; however, any such amendments must be adopted by a two-thirds vote of the Synod before they can be sent down in overture to the sessions*.

Page 2, #6 - delete "1974 Minutes of Sunod p. 129" and insert *Chapter 25 of the Westminster Confession of Faith and the Testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church*.

Page 3, #13, line 7 - delete "or letter" and insert *of transfer*

Page 4, #7, line 4 - following "congregation" add *and*

Page 9 #3b - following "one-half of the" add *active communicant*

Page 10 #m - following "election" add *and report to the moderator*

Page 11, #4b - following "one-half of the" add *active*

Page 16, #3a - following "one-half of the" add *active*

Page 23, #D3b - following "one-half of the" add *active communicant*

Page 24 #4m - following "election" add *and report to the moderator*

Page 25, #4b - following "one-half of the" add *active*

Page 26, 5g - delete "a session" and insert *the board of deacons*;

Page 28, #5 line 3 - following "executive session" add (*refer to Robert's Rules of Order*)

Page 28, #8, line 7 - delete "pro re nata"

In addition to the above there are a number of typos, references and other cosmetic changes that can be referred to the Board of Education and Publication for correction.

**The following special resolution was adopted: That the Board of Education and Publication be requested to compile an index of the Policy Statements of Synod, to update that in the 1974 Minutes of Synod, and that they report to the Synod of 1988.**

**The following special resolution was adopted: That in order to assist elders who are called to prayer and the full-orbed ministry of God's Word that a committee comprised of James Carson, Chairman; William Weir, Joseph Lamont, Roy Blackwood, Ed Schisler, Kenneth Smith be appointed to study and recommend procedures whereby the administrative detail of the church can be handled in a more efficient and Biblically consistent manner.**

**The Minutes were read and adopted.**

**The Court spent a period of time in prayer.**

**The Moderator adjourned the Court in prayer at 3:15 p.m. The Court closed by singing Psalm 133-A. The Court was adjourned to meet at Carleton College, Northfield, Minnesota, on Thursday, August 4, 1987 at 3 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Paul M. Martin,  
Clerk of Synod  
Jonathan Leach,  
Assistant Clerk of Synod

## A P P E N D I X

**ITEMS DELETED FROM REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO  
DEAL WITH PAPER 87-5**

There would be a summary of congregational self-evaluation (as submitted by sessions) on the following "subjective" criteria regarding congregational health and functioning as part of the body of Christ. (Congregations would be evaluated by their sessions on a scale of 1 - 5 in each category.)

- a. The degree of eagerness, attention and participation which the congregation manifests in the worship services and in the other congregational meetings for prayer and Bible study.
- b. The degree of friendliness which the congregation manifests to visitors, the prevalence of loving and respectful interpersonal attitudes among members, and the willingness of the congregation to receive and incorporate new members into its life with full acceptance.
- c. The effectiveness with which the congregation is engaged in cherishing and up-building its work of preparing and encouraging the next generation including the next generation of leaders in the church.
- d. The interest and willingness of the membership of the congregation to be engaged in outreach activity and personal evangelism.

**AUDITORS' OPINION**

To the Pension Trustees of the Synod of The Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America:

We have examined the statements of net assets available for benefits of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Employees' Restated Pension Plan as of December 31, 1986 and 1985 and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended. Our examinations were made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the net assets available for benefits of the Plan at December 31, 1986 and 1985 and the changes in its net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a consistent basis.

(signed) Deloitte Haskins & Sells  
March 30, 1987

THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF NORTH AMERICA  
EMPLOYEES' RESTATED PENSION PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS  
DECEMBER 31, 1986 AND 1985

	<u>NOTES</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1985</u>
<b>ASSETS:</b>			
Investments, at fair value	2,6	\$ 968,039	\$ 993,585
Receivable from employer		7,972	29,370
Accrued investment income receivable		4,281	7,025
Cash		<u>48,014</u>	<u>4,676</u>
Total Assets		\$1,028,306	\$1,034,656
<b>LIABILITIES - Prepaid employer contributions</b>			
	5	<u>10,064</u>	<u>25,113</u>
<b>NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS</b>		<u>\$1,018,242</u>	<u>\$1,009,543</u>

See notes to financial statements.

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR  
BENEFITS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1986 AND  
1985

	<u>NOTES</u>	<u>1986</u>	<u>1985</u>
<b>INCREASES ATTRIBUTABLE TO:</b>			
<b>Investment income:</b>			
Dividends and interest		\$ 50,407	\$ 88,069
Net appreciation in the fair value of investments		<u>30,730</u>	<u>27,667</u>
Total		<u>81,137</u>	<u>115,736</u>
<b>Contributions:</b>			
Employer (net of forfeitures of \$2,258 in 1986 and \$402 in 1985)	3	15,049	18,794
Employees	3	<u>26,800</u>	<u>32,370</u>
Total		<u>41,849</u>	<u>51,164</u>
Total Increases		<u>122,986</u>	<u>166,900</u>



## DECREASES ATTRIBUTABLE

TO:

Benefits paid to participants		5,369	6,445
Withdrawals		100,214	56,227
Administrative expenses	2	8,704	2,852
Total Decreases		<u>114,287</u>	<u>65,524</u>
NET INCREASE		8,699	101,376
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, JANUARY 1		<u>1,009,543</u>	<u>908,167</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, DECEMBER 31		<u>\$1,018,242</u>	<u>\$1,009,543</u>

See notes to financial statements.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE PLAN

The following brief description of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America Employees' Restated Pension Plan (the "Plan") is provided for general information purposes only. Participants should refer to the Plan document or the Plan summary for more complete information.

**General** - The Plan, adopted on January 1, 1974 and restated on January 1, 1984, is a defined contribution (target benefit) retirement income plan covering substantially all full-time employees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Synod") and Pastors of its congregations. The Plan is administered by the Pension Trustees of the Synod of The Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America (the "Pension Trustees"), who are also responsible for all assets of the Plan.

**Benefits** - On termination of service, a participant may elect to receive either a lump-sum amount or a monthly annuity.

**Vesting** - Participants are fully vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the remainder of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100 percent vested after ten years of credited service.

**Forfeitures** - When a participant withdraws from the Plan prior to becoming fully vested, the non-vested portion of the participant's account, as defined in the Plan, reverts to the employer and is used to reduce future employer contributions.

**Allocation of Net Investment Earnings** - Net investment earnings, consisting of investment income less administrative expenses, are allocated to the individual participants' accounts. The allocation is based on the ratio of account balances at the beginning of the year, less any withdrawals, benefit payments or forfeitures during the year, to the total assets of the Plan at the beginning of the year, less total withdrawals, benefit payments and forfeitures during the year.

## 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Basis of Accounting** - The Plan's financial statements have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting. Net appreciation (depreciation) in the fair value of investments is comprised of the unrealized appreciation (depreciation) on investments held during the year and the realized gain (loss) on investments sold during the year.

**Valuation of Investments** - Investments are reported at quoted market value.

**Expenses** - Substantially all administrative expenses and the costs of participants' term life insurance policies discussed at Note 4 paid by the Synod.

## 3. CONTRIBUTIONS

**Mandatory Contributions** - The total annual required contribution for each participant is determined by the Pension Trustess with the assistance of its actuarial consultants. Such amount is calculated assuming a given rate of return to provide the participant, upon reaching normal retirement age, with the target benefits described in the Plan. The total required contribution is divided between the participant and the Synod as follows: (i) The Synod determines, on an annual basis, the amount of the Mandatory Non-deductible Employee Contribution that each participant must pay. (ii) The Employer Contribution is the excess of the total required contribution over the Mandatory Employee Contribution. In no case, however will the Employee Contribution exceed 90% of the required contribution.

**Voluntary Employee contribution** - In addition to the required contributions, each participant may contribute up to 10% per year of their annual compensation to a voluntary non-deductible employee contribution account. Each participant may also contribute up to \$2,000 per year, not to exceed 100% of their annual compensation, into a voluntary deductible employee account which is similar to an Individual Retirement Account ("IRA") and is subject to all restrictions of an IRA. Participants may rollover lump-sum distributions from other qualified retirement plans into their voluntary deductible employee account.

#### 4. TERM LIFE INSURANCE CONTRACTS

The Pension Trustees purchase and maintain for each participant, a decreasing term life insurance contract in an amount which, when added to the balance of the mandatory contribution account of the participant, will provide the minimum required benefits, described in the Plan, to the surviving spouse and minor children of the participant.

#### 5. RESTATEMENT OF THE PLAN

Effective January 1, 1984, the Plan was restated primarily to comply with the rules and regulations of the Internal Revenue Service. The major effect of the restatement was to allow the employer contributions to be excluded from the taxable income of the participants until the withdrawal of such amounts by the participants or their beneficiaries.

In conjunction with this restatement, the Pension Trustees performed an evaluation of the Plan and determined that it was overfunded by approximately \$60,000 as of January 1, 1984. This excess, which has been recorded as prepaid employer contributions, has been reduced on an annual basis by the amount of the required employer contributions (net of forfeitures).

#### 6. INVESTMENTS

The Plan's investments at December 31, 1986 and 1985 were as follows:

	1986	1985
Common Stock	\$208,890	\$ 48,400
Convertible Preferred Stock	29,587	35,137
Convertible Debentures	38,475	61,650
U.S. Government Agency Obligations	243,012	228,416
Franklin Custodial Funds:		
Income Series		389,199
Dynatech Series		108,100
Franklin Gold Fund		1,032
United Missouri Bank Money		
Market Account	229,565	18,952
Mutual of New York Insurance Company	105,325	
TransAmerica Life Insurance and		
Annuity Company	113,185	102,699
	<u>\$968,039</u>	<u>\$993,585</u>

UNRESTRICTED UNDESIGNATED FUNDS OF SYNOD

	Actual 1983	Actual 1984	Actual 1985	Actual to 12/31/86	Projected 12/31/86	Budgeted 1987	Actual 3/31/87
Beginning Balance	\$ 59,234	\$ 40,684	\$ 36,746.86	\$169,839.55	\$169,840	\$134,345	\$134,345.34
Receipts							
MacLaughlin Trust	51,934	96,040	98,265.28	76,583.12	90,000	80,000	11,643.43
MacLaughlin Unitrust	12,875	15,219	8,400.29				
Dudley Bequest	1,355	302	291.48	478.52	390	450	27.77
John Lucky Fund	212	226	257.27	5,431.60	5,430		
I. & J. Kitchen Fd.	151	160	182.64	189.41	185	185	
Kitchen Paterson Fd.	151	160	182.65	189.41	185	185	
Edith Miller Bequest			42,673.59				
C. T. Hutcheson Bequest	1,000						
Sarah Archer Annuity	5,000						
Indian Mission Oil Lease	5,273	70	70.31				
Andrew Brodie Bequest		6,831					
Clarissa Morrow Estate		31,000	37,018.00	41,980.20			
Carleton Conference			4,412.14				
James Blackwood Est.			11,382.63				
Robert Robb Est.			47.32				
Hattie D. DeVries Est.			29,500.00	5,925.49	5,925		
Kathryn Marshall Est.				16,350.00	20,000		
Ruth H. Smith Est.				26,666.05	28,266		
Alice Robb Est.			10,950.87	9,684.42	9,500		
Total Receipts	77,951	150,008	243,634.47	187,476.25	159,801	80,820	11,671.20
Cash Available	137,185	190,692	280,381.33	357,317.80	329,741	215,165	146,016.54
Disbursements:							
R.P.M. & M.	43,501	44,200	50,000.00	100,000.00	130,428 A	100,000 D	
R.P.M. & M.				30,427.68		68,644 E	
Education & Publications		44,026		40,000.00	40,000 B		
Geneva College	18,000	25,000	35,746.78	52,544.78	59,253 C	20,000 F	
Foreign Mission Board							
Pension Board	13,000						
Seminary	9,000	32,720	16,795.00				
Woman's Association	13,000	6,000					
Denominational Office			8,000.00				
Miscellaneous Fund						27,035 G	
Total Disbursements	96,501	153,946	110,541.78	222,972.46	229,681	215,679	
Ending Balance	\$ 40,684	\$ 36,746	\$169,839.55	\$134,345.34	\$100,060	(\$514)	\$146,016.54

A R.P.M. & M. 1985 Deficit \$30,427.68

R.P.M. & M to 1986 as per 1985 Synod \$100,000

B As per Board of Education and Publications request to the 1986 Synod.

C To Geneva College as per agreement  
Due for 1985 \$14,253.22  
50% of 1986 \$45,000

D To R.P.M. & M. as budgeted by the 1986 Synod

E R.P.M. & M. deficit for 1986

F One half of the MacLaughlin Income goes to Geneva College.

G \$27,035 Allowed for Graduate Study

REPORT OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN  
WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors

The members of the Board of Directors and officers for 1986 were: Faith M. Martin, President; Sandra M. Johns, Vice President; June Miller, Recording Secretary; Madge Adams, Corresponding Secretary; Carol M. Edgar, Treasurer; Shirley S. McMillan, Assistant Treasurer; Beverly Carson, Harold Faris, Dawn N. McKelvy, Judy Linhart, Marian Brooks and Timothy Russell.

Personnel

We feel no finer group of people ever gathered to serve the elderly. We are grateful for the work of Mr. Bill Weir. His skill in dealing with people

and abilities in sound financial management have been important factors in the success of the Home. Ken and Marjorie Sanderson retired in June after eleven years of service to the Home. Ken was Administrative Assistant at the time of his retirement but he formerly served as Administrator and Assistant Administrator. Marjorie was Dietary Supervisor. Tom Meiers, a member of the North Hills congregation, is our new Dietary Supervisor. Rev. Mel Martin, our Social Worker, underwent successful coronary bypass surgery in September. He returned to work in January. During his absence Nancy Kunsak, also from North Hills, filled in for him. After the retirement of Etta Weatherford in 1980 the position of Head Resident remained unfilled. We are very happy that Mrs. Edna Ludwig has come to the Home in that capacity. At our annual Employee Recognition Dinner, Mrs. Rita West was honored for twenty-five years of gracious and loving service to our nursing patients.

In March the Home initiated a pension program to help our employees prepare for retirement. The Home contributes a percentage of the employee's wage, and each employee has the option of making additional voluntary contributions, tax free.

### Admissions

The Nursing Unit had a 95% occupancy rate for 1986. Our Residence has a few vacant rooms at this time, but persons planning to enter the Home are urged to make early application as demand for these rooms increase. We welcome the following persons into the Residence in 1986: Mrs. Jewel Lathom, Beaver Falls, Pa.; Mrs. Ruth Tannehill, West Liberty, Ohio; Dr. Anna Coleman, Midland, Michigan; Mrs. Anna McIntyre, Coulterville, Illinois; Dr. Elizabeth Coleman, Drexel Hill, Pa.; Miss Ann Carlin, Somerville, Mass.; Mrs. Florence Reyle, Westwood, New Jersey; Dr. Robert Mowry, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Mrs. Christine Doehla, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Miss Rozetta Huey, Beaver Falls, Pa.

### Capital Improvements

In the Fall of 1986, the main elevator of the Home was completely overhauled and equipped with an electric eye closing. The Home purchased a van, equipped with a wheel chair lift, and a station wagon. Both vehicles are second hand but in good condition.

### Building Fund

During the last week of 1986 the Home's Building Fund reached our goal of \$1,000,000. We are grateful to all our contributors for this generous sum of money. Money contributed to the Building Fund from this point will be used to make principal payments on our mortgage, capital



improvements, and, when possible, reduce the mortgage principal ahead of schedule.

### General Donations

The Home continues to depend on the generosity of the church and its members. Our loss from operations in 1986 was \$523,000. This sum is met through bequests, donations and investment income. We are grateful to the Lord that He continues to supply our needs.

### In Memoriam

The following persons passed away at the Home in 1986: Mr. Charles Meredith, January 27; Mrs. Vera Higgins, March 10; Miss Stella Reed, March 17; Mrs. Mildred Fox, March 20; Miss Rhoda Beatty, April 22; Mr. Thomas Collins, April 27; Miss Inez Taggart, April 27; Mrs. Alice Irwin, June 30; Mrs. Blanche Pluskey, July 1; Mrs. Margaret Ward, July 20; Miss Henrietta Helm, August 8; Mr. Lester McIntyre, September 1; Miss Anna Schaffer, September 8; Mrs. Stella Lipp, September 11; Miss Myrtle Wylie, October 19; Miss Hilda Hanshumaker, November 20 and Mrs. Mabel Young, December 12.

### Handicapped

The 1986 Synod asked the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association to investigate a church ministry to the physically handicapped. The Board of Directors appointed a committee that will report to the 1987 Synod. The Synod is asked to hear this report separately.

### Policies

The Board of Directors and Administrator of the Home have been working on our Policy and Procedure Manual and our Philosophy. We will close our report with a statement from our manual: "We believe that the value the Lord has given to each person's life does not diminish with age or with changes in physical or mental condition. We recognize the interplay of physical, psychological, spiritual and social factors that shape individuals. Each of our residents has varying levels of health, activity, intellect, creativity, sociability and independence. Our goal is to provide an environment that will help residents achieve their maximum level of physical, spiritual, mental and social well-being. The Reformed Presbyterian Home with its levels of care, strives to meet the needs of Residents in a supportive rather than a restrictive environment. Our goal will be achieved as we acknowledge that this is the Lord's work and as He enables us to carry it out."

Respectfully submitted,

The Board of Directors  
Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association

### REPORT OF THE REFORMATION TRANSLATION FELLOWSHIP

We are grateful that the Reformation Translation Fellowship files of the Chinese language quarterly, *Reformed Faith and Life*, and the English language annual reports for the past 37 years are now in the Library of the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in Pittsburgh. These publications are now available for loan to students and others and to seminary libraries around the country. We are thankful for new contributors and for those who have been generous and faithful over the years, but we need more new support to replace those who are being called to higher service.

Our needs: We ask that you pray that God will open wide the doors though which the printed page of more than 70 basic books from the Reformed community can enter to help those on the mainland who are in desperate need. Do we need new supporters? Yes! But also pray that God will raise up successors to Dr. Chao and Dr. Boyle, as well as others on the Board, many of whom are in their bonus years (beyond the three score and ten).

The publishing and translation work has proceeded during the year. We have received calls for Chinese language literature for Chinese in this country, who are students or those in business. Bruce Martin has consented to maintain a stock of books that can be ordered by those dealing with Chinese in this country.

We are grateful that Charles Chao is under the care and support of our Foreign Mission Board and for the many individuals and organizations in the Church who have continued their help and for the mailing help given by the First R.P. Church of Beaver Falls and the Geneva College Computer Department.

We thank and praise our God for His blessing and the privilege of this ministry.

Lester E. Kilpatrick,  
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### REPORT OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

For the past year the primary area of ministry has been in preparation for the Consultation on "The Role of the Bible in Civil Government."

The committee that was assembled has been of immeasurable help. The members of this committee are as follows: Will Barker, Carl Bogue, David Carson, Gary S. Smith and Thomas McWhertor; with Jack White and me serving as co-conveners. The committee was divided into sub-committees which were responsible for various tasks. Thomas McWhertor and Jack White served on the speakers committee. It was this committee that undertook the heavy load of making arrangements with each of the four major speakers and the twelve respondents.

There has been much interest in the Consultation. We have received inquiries as far away as Ireland. It is hoped that the papers from it will be published in a book sometime after the consultation. We have also planned that audio tapes will be available for sale.

#### New Executive Director

This will be the last report from the N. R. A. that I will make to the Synod. I have appreciated the four plus years in this part-time position. Soon after I became the Executive Director, I realized that if the N. R. A. was to show any degree of progress a full-time director was necessary. Therefore, I presented to the Board the idea of the "200 Club," which has now made it possible to expand to a full-time position. Initially, however, it will take additional money and the use of some invested funds. By the time of Synod we will have a person in this position. It is my hope that he will be able to bring this report to the RPCNA Synod.

On June 2 and 3, 1987 an historic Consultation on the Biblical Role of Civil Government was held at Geneva College, sponsored by the National Reform Association and the Association for Public Justice. It was a dialogue between people committed to the Westminster Standards and the Three Forms of Unity. Major papers were presented by Dr. Greg Bahnsen on "Theonomy," Dr. Gordon Spykman on "Principled Pluralism," Dr. Harold O. J. Brown on "Christian America," and Dr. William Edgar on "National Confession."

At the close of the Consultation the following areas of agreement and disagreement were drafted. The disagreements are intended to serve as a future agenda for consultations.

#### AGREEMENTS

1. The Word of God is authoritative.
2. The Scriptures of the Old Testament and New Testament speak to all of life, including politics.
3. There are continuities and discontinuities between the Old Testament and the New Testament.
4. The ascended Christ is King over all creation.
5. God has ordained various institutions, at least family, church, and state.
6. God is sovereign governor and judge over the universe and over all nations.
7. God requires civil officials to conduct their offices as His servants, ruling justly and recognizing the dignity of all persons created in His image.

8. Christians should resolutely resist the secularizing of society, as we presently see it for example, in humanistic state education and disrespect for unborn life.
9. Christians should obey and promote Biblical precepts in political life, including its institutions and politics.
10. To promote the goals in eight and nine, Christians should develop strong families, churches and organizations.
11. The USA today is defacto a religious pluralistic society.

### QUESTIONS

1. What do the terms "people" and "nation" mean in the Bible?
2. What is the nature of the continuity and discontinuity between the Old Testament and the New Testament, especially the Mosaic Law?
3. How does Christ exercise His kingship over the nations? How should nations respond to His kingship?
4. How may the creedal distinction between the moral, ceremonial and civil laws of the Old Testament Israel be applied to contemporary political life? In what sense may these distinctions be applied?
5. What is the Biblical view of civil justice and of the legitimate task and power of the state?
6. What is confessional pluralism? Is the concept of confessional pluralism Biblical? What is the nature and extent of confessional pluralism — e.g., should there be civil toleration of the practice and promulgation of non-christian world views and religious confessions?
7. Should the Constitution formally recognize Christ as supreme authority over the nation?
8. To what degree is the original nature of the U. S. Constitution Christian or secular?

### CONSULTATION UP-DATE

Over one hundred and fifteen people met on the Geneva College Campus for the first Consultation on the Role of the Bible in Civil Government. Before the end of this Consultation there was talk of a second and by the end various participants indicated that this must be pursued further. In fact an informal invitation has been extended by Westminster Theological Seminary in Philadelphia.

The Consultation was not promoted or advertised. There were only a few periodicals and journals which aired a news item regarding the purpose and dates. Despite these low key announcements there were over one hundred and ten people who asked for invitations. Those who came as observers included such men as Os Guinness, Tom Rose from the faculty of Grove City College, and Dr. William Kuykendall from the faculty of Erskine Theological Seminary.

God the Lord displayed His grace in so many ways. One of note was the excellent spirit that each participant demonstrated. Of course there were

areas of sharp disagreement but no harsh words or attitudes were exhibited. A genuine spirit of seeking to labor together as constituents of the Reformed community shone forth. Out of the deliberations has come a statement of "Agreements and Disagreements." These are given in full, beginning on the opposite side of this paper and continuing to the top of this side. Any one is free to publish these statements, however, you must give the source and all statements must be included in the publication.

Tapes are available of the entire Consultation. These total twelve and are priced at \$7 for each tape. They can be obtained only as a group.

Futhermore, a sub-committee of the original planning committee is now in the process of preparing the papers for publication. Baker Book House has agreed to include the book in its catalog and to promote it; while Prebyterian and Reformed has shown the most interest in publication.

We express our deep gratitude to the following in making initial grants to the planning committee: The Board of Education of the R.P. Synod, The National Reform Association, and the Association for Public Justice (Education Fund).

M. L. McFarland  
Retiring Executive Director  
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### NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

Not so many years ago our denomination as a whole had many ways to express outwardly its commitment to the Lordship of Christ over all of life. We had such things as the Social Justice Committee, Signs of the Times Committee, the Witness Committee, and the Christian Amendment Movement which later became the Christian Government Movement. These committees and organizations dealt with such things as nationalism and secularism, and issues of war and peace, the draft, arms reduction, international relations, race relations and economic justice especially for the poor.

The significance of these committees and organizations was not just in their existence but that their existence demonstrated the concern and priority of members and congregations for the outward public affairs of our lives. Today none of these committees or organizations exist and nothing has emerged to take their place.

It would seem that we as a church have seen our focus turn more and more inward, with an emphasis on personal evangelism as our major and almost exclusive outward vision. Perhaps this evaluation is unfair, but as we look at the items for discussion and debate here at Synod, what percentages of our time and discussion will be taken up with items that reflect an outward vision or focus? Some articles, books, etc, have begun to appear on this tendency to be ingrown or fortress church.



The National Reform Association which by its very nature is an organization which deals in outward public affairs, nevertheless has in some ways followed in this same tendency. The National Reform Association was founded in 1864. Eleven denominations and seven states were represented at the first meeting out of which the National Reform Association emerged. The Association took many stands concerning issues of public justice. For instance in the 1880's the Association decried the injustice done to the American Indian and protested immigration laws which discriminated unjustly against the Chinese. At the same time the Association upheld the place of women as equals in society and nations. Later the National Reform Association sponsored three international World Christian Citizenship Conferences. The third of these conferences was held in Pittsburgh in 1919 and was attended by 58,000 people. Representatives from over forty different countries addressed this convention. In the mid-1920's the National Reform was still sponsoring intensive weeks of study and application of the principles of the Lordship of Christ over public life. Attendance at these conferences reach as high as 7,000 participants.

However, in the years following, this vision and focus of the Association started to become more and more restricted and eventually became limited to primarily two or three moral issues. As this happened the scope of the Association's membership and influence became more and more reduced as well.

Today the National Reform Association desires to return to the more historical focus of the vision and application of the Lordship of Jesus Christ to all of life - our focus being especially in the area of public life. This is a big underaking, but perhaps as we by God's grace make progress in this endeavor, the churh and Synod will see the National Reform Association as one channel or one way of working toward an outward vision of our whole ministry to the world in bringing the Lordship of Christ to bear on all of life. As this happens we would hope for your continued and growing encouragement and support.

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**Clerk:** Lauren O. Wolcott, 180 Brentwood Dr. N.E.,

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**Clerk:** Greg Adams (Provisional), 3550 Ames Street,  
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**Pastor:** J. Edward Hindman, P.O. Box 76, Denison, KS 66419.  
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**Clerk:** Russell James, 2224 N. Highway 15,  
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**WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP  
OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
OF NORTH AMERICA  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND  
DISBURSEMENTS-COMBINED FUNDS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JANUARY 5, 1987**

	Balance 1/5/86	Receipts	Disburse- ments	1/5/87
Contingent Fund	\$ 894.71	\$ 2,279.41	\$ 2,811.65	\$ 362.47
Life & Memorial Fund	2,960.76	650.69	500.00	3,111.45
Thankoffering Fund	-0-	24,693.89	24,693.29	.60
Special Projects Fund	17.76	1,896.50	1,828.96	85.30
Designated Funds	-49.10	6,725.99	6,675.40	( .90)
	<u>\$3,824.13</u>	<u>\$36,245.99</u>	<u>\$36,509.40</u>	<u>\$3,560.72</u>
Less: Interfund				
Transfer for				
Synodical Membership		25.00	25.00	
	<u>\$3,824.13</u>	<u>\$36,220.99</u>	<u>\$36,484.40</u>	<u>\$3,560.72</u>

**BANK ACCOUNTS**

Concord-Liberty Savings & Loan Assoc.- <b>Checking</b>	\$2,068.16	\$36,120.30	\$36,484.40	\$1,704.06
Concord-Liberty Savings & Loan Assoc.— <b>Savings</b>	<u>\$1,755.97</u>	<u>\$ 100.69</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>\$1,856.66</u>
<b><u>\$3,824.13</u></b>	<b><u>\$36,220.99</u></b>	<b><u>\$36,484.40</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,560.72</u></b>	

**RECEIPTS**

Iowa Presbyterial . . . . .	\$ 1,990.00
Midwest Presbyterial . . . . .	9,276.50
New York Presbyterial . . . . .	5,137.01
Ohio-Illinois Presbyterial . . . . .	8,488.00
Pacific Coast Presbyterial . . . . .	1,895.00
Pittsburgh Presbyterial . . . . .	6,818.88
Synodical Collection . . . . .	259.56
Synodical Registration . . . . .	435.00
Miscellaneous Contributions . . . . .	1,553.89
Interest . . . . .	367.15
	<b><u>\$36,220.99</u></b>

“I have checked these records and with the information submitted I find the balance of \$1,704.06 in the checking account as of 1/5/85 to be correct.”

Eve B. Hays  
2/26/87

**DISBURSEMENTS**

**Contingent Fund**

NAE Fellowship . . . . .	\$ 155.98
Synodical Handbook Expense . . . . .	783.17
Officers & Superintendents Expense . . . . .	694.41
Convention Expense . . . . .	1,028.14
Treasurer's Bond . . . . .	100.00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	24.95
Synodical Membership . . . . .	<u>25.00</u>
	<b><u>\$ 2,811.65</u></b>

**Life and Memorial Fund**

Japan Commission . . . . .	<u>500.00</u>	500.00
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**Thankoffering Fund**

Home Missions . . . . .	8,231.10	
Foreign Missions . . . . .	16,462.19	
		<u>\$24,693.29</u>

**Special Projects Fund**

R.P. Seminary . . . . .	1,750.00	
Air Mail Postage . . . . .	78.96	
		<u>\$ 1,828.96</u>

**Designated Funds**

Home Missions . . . . .	\$ 748.00	
Foreign Missions . . . . .	50.00	
Japan . . . . .	1,217.00	
Japan Bookroom . . . . .	100.00	
Geneva College . . . . .	1,061.50	
R.P. Seminary . . . . .	1,011.00	
R.P. Home . . . . .	651.00	
R.P. Home Auxiliary . . . . .	50.00	
National Reform Association . . . . .	635.00	
Reformation Translation Fellowship . . . . .	927.00	
Chicago . . . . .	25.00	
Columbus . . . . .	25.00	
Endwell Fellowship . . . . .	35.00	
Oswego R.P. Fellowship . . . . .	50.00	
John McMillan . . . . .	15.00	
Washington D.C. Ministry . . . . .	75.00	
		<u>\$ 6,675.50</u>

\$36,509.40

\* Inter-Fund Transfer

\$ 25.00

**Total Disbursements . . . . .**

36,484.40

**Mrs. Willard Hemphill**  
**Treasurer**





STATISTICAL REPORT, Section A  
December 31, 1986

	Increase				Decrease						
	Total Member	Total Member	Comm. Bapt.	By Prof. Fr. RP	From	To RP To Oth Final					
PRESBYTERY	12/31/85	12/31/86	Mem.	Prof. Faith	Chur. Oth. Den. Other	Total	Deaths	Removal	Other	Total	Elders Deacons
Iowa:											
Marion	41	39	24	15	1	1	1	2		3	4 1
Sharon	105	101	85	16	1	1	3	2		5	8 6
Washington	93	102	66	36	2	5 2	9			0	4
Ministerial Members	3	3	3								
Presbytery's Roll	3	3	3								
Totals, Iowa	245	248	181	67	0 1 2 1 5 2	11	3	1 4	0 0	8	16 7
Midwest:											
Aurora	37	39	23	16	4 3 2	5		3		3	2 1
Clarinda	43	33	29	4		0	2	8		10	3 2
Colorado Springs	22	20	14	6	1	0		2		2	1 1
Denison	109	104	77	27	6 1	1	2	3	1	6	7 7
Greeley	55	54	53	1	1	1	1			2	6 4
Hays	39	40	28	12	1 1 1	2		1		1	2 3
Hebron	69	65	48	17		0	2		2	4	5 4
Lawrence	88	90	47	43	8 3	11	1	8		9	6 2
Mineola	42	49	32	17	3 6	9		1	1	2	3 5
Quinter	93	93	67	26	1	2	1			2	6 4
Shawnee	143	139	95	44	1 7	9	3	5		13	7 5
Sterling	102	98	73	25		0	1	1	2	4	6 6
Superior-Beulah	42	41	34	7		0	1			1	3 4
Topoka	129	138	120	18	3 10	17	1	4	3	8	11 8
Westminster	66	64	40	23	1 2 3	6		5	3	8	2 2
Winchester	75	68	52	17	1	0	4	2		7	6 6
Ministerial Members	33	30	30		1	1		2	1	4	
Presbytery's Roll	12	11	8	3	1	1		2		2	
Totals, Midwest	1,199	1,176	870	306	13 21 18 19 6 1	65	19	22 34	10 3	88	76 64

STATISTICAL REPORT, Section A  
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PRESBYTERY	Total Member		By Prof. Fr. RP From										To RP To Oth Final					Elders Deacons				
	12/31/85 12/31/86		Bapt. Memb.		Comm. Memb.		Bapt. Faith		Chur. Oth.		Den. Other		Deaths		Removal		Other Total					
	12/31/85	12/31/86																				
Ohio-11inois:																						
Belle Center	41	41	31	10	2								0					0		3	2	
Bloomington	84	67	56	11	2		1						3		12			20		4	1	
Columbus	44	37	27	10			2						2		1	5		3		1	2	
C.F. Indpls.	10	10	9	1									0					0		2		
Hetherton	23	21	18	3			2						2		1		3		4	2	3	
Oakdale	48	47	42	5									0		1			1		5	2	
Ogemaw	35	31	29	2									0									
Orlando	132	127	96	31	1		4						5		3			7		10	5	
Second Indpls.	114	117	90	29	1	3							2		1		2		3	9	6	
Selma	78	83	57	25	1			2	4				6		1				1	2	6	
Southfield	40	49	42	13	3	3		1	2				9						0	5	3	
Southside Indpls.	97	121	60	54	13	4	6	1					24						0	4	5	
Spanta	58	51	38	13									0		1	6			7	6	2	
West Lafayette	73	90	56	34	5	3	6	15	1	30			1		11		1		13		4	
Chicago M.S.	3	3	3	0									0						0			
Ministerial Members																						
Presbytery's Roll	25	24	24	0				1					1		1				2			
	5	0	0	0									0			5			5			
Totals, Ohio-11l.																						
	910	919	678	241	3	25	15	16	22	10	88	12	19	18	26	4	79	54	46			
Pacific Coast:																						
Anchorage	25	25	9	16									0						0	1	1	
Fresno	60	61	47	14			1	1					2		1			1	3	5		
Los Angeles	57	58	55	3			1	2					3		1			2	3	5		
Phoenix	101	115	72	43			5	10					15		1			1	3	2		
San Diego	33	29	19	10			1						1		2		3	5	1	0		
Santa Ana	33	29	24	5									0			4		4	2	0		
Seattle	89	91	54	37			1	1	1				3		1			1	5	5		
Ministerial Members																						
Presbytery's Roll	8	9	9					1					1									
	2	2	2																			
Totals, Pac.Coast																						
	408	419	291	128	0	7	13	5	0	0	25	2	2	3	4	3	14	18	20			



STATISTICAL REPORT, Section A  
December 31, 1986

December 31, 1986	Increase										Decrease									
	Total Member	Total Member	Comm.	Bapt.	BapChild/ Meab.	By ProffFaith	By Prof.	Fr. RP	From	To RP To 0th Final										
	12/31/85	12/31/86	Mem.	Meab.	ProffFaith	Bapt.	Faith	Chur.	Oth.	Den.	Other	Total	Deaths	Chur.	Denom.	Removal	Other	Total	Elders	Deacons
PRESBYTERY	1,347	1,292	963	329	11	26	11	20	8	13	78	11	34	37	20	31	133	69	56	
	388	382	290	92	1	12	11	13	2	3	41	7	6	11	4	19	47	18	20	
	245	248	131	67	0	1	2	1	5	2	11	3	1	4	0	0	8	16	7	
	1,199	1,176	870	306	13	21	18	19	6	1	65	19	22	34	10	3	88	76	64	
	910	919	578	241	3	25	15	16	22	10	88	12	19	18	26	4	79	54	46	
	408	419	291	128	0	7	13	5	0	0	25	2	2	3	4	3	14	18	20	
St. Lawrence	458	471	348	123	9	24	24	17	11	1	77	5	16	13	15	15	64	22	24	
Total Home Field	4,955	4,907	3,621	1,286	37	116	94	91	54	30	395	59	100	120	79	75	433	273	247	
Japan Commission	190	204	136	68	2	10	8	0	0	0	18	0	3	0	1	0	4	7	6	
GRAND TOTAL	5,145	5,111	3,757	1,354	39	126	102	91	54	30	403	59	103	120	80	75	437	280	253	

STATISTICAL REPORT, Section B  
December 31, 1986

Average Attend.

PRESBYTERY	Worship Sab. Sch.		C.Y.P.U.	Parson.		12/31/85		Sup. Aid		Total Receipts	Pastor's Salary	RPM & M RP Works	Other	Total Disb.	Balance 12/31/86	Other Assets	Pastor's Sal - '87
	Worship	Sab. Sch.		Presby.	Other	Presby.	Other										
Alleghenies:																	
Allegheny	60	41	No	823	39,426	39,426	21,079	1,152	1,423	14,262	37,916	2,333	24,396	25,130			
College Hill	200	120	14	Yes	11,969	129,566	129,566	25,730	17,000	13,648	72,672	129,050	12,485	26,936			
Cov. Fellowship	132	85	No	6,108	109,358	109,358	33,100	7,350	9,018	64,898	114,366	1,100	34,300	34,300			
Eastvale	60	40	2	Yes	4,285	36,680	36,680	15,253	2,195	2,751	11,822	32,021	8,944	18,500			
1st Beaver Falls	57	31	Yes	1,623	52,803	52,803	22,985	6,382	5,064	18,457	52,888	1,538	38,940	22,584			
Geneva	145	90	9	No	3,920	73,510	73,510	21,800	7,500	12,440	33,775	75,515	1,915	24,000			
Manchester	40	37	2	Yes	1,916	44,923	44,923	16,504	1,209	980	23,198	41,891	4,948	19,372			
New Alexandria	42	27	12	Yes	10,130	27,960	27,960	18,882	638	1,264	7,587	28,371	9,719	20,320			
New Cov. Ref. Fel.	75	50	No	1,311	19,000	25,970	44,970	22,826	659	1,650	19,958	45,093	1,188	24,700			
North Hills	74	45	9	Yes	1,139	94,203	94,203	25,579	8,000	5,086	55,606	94,271	1,071	464,978			
Rimersburg	35	29	Yes	0	23,923	23,923	7,070	300	1,136	14,669	23,175	748	11,389	21,850			
Rose Point	70	59	Yes	21,178	53,558	53,558	21,098	8,000	15,008	17,360	61,466	13,270	773	21,000			
Tusca Area	54	44	No	898	2,500	24,480	26,980	18,700	536	7,869	27,105	773	35,600	35,600			
Wash.D.C. (MS)			No		16,794	7,485	24,279	19,155		975	20,130	4,149					
Ministerial Members																	
Presbytery's Roll																	
Totals, Alleghenies 1,044 698 48 7 65,300 38,294 743,845 782,139 289,761 60,385 70,004 363,108 783,258 64,181 732,603 321,742																	
Atlantic:																	
Broomall	49	30	Yes	19,304	63,952	63,952	15,275	9,000	13,162	25,311	62,748	20,508	15,963	16,712			
Cambridge	43	23	Yes	5,887	35,508	35,508	17,026	1,000	2,864	17,228	38,118	3,277	23	22,900			
Coldenham-Newburgh	85	55	8	Yes	22,997	63,678	63,678	24,358	4,574	5,391	28,892	63,215	23,460	167,935			
Elkins Park	25	10	Yes	925	27,700	27,700	18,250	442	2,594	7,304	28,590	35	16,764	18,750			
Ridgefield Park	20	12	No	(17,199)	70,333	70,333	15,167	3,000	7,575	25,275	51,017	2,117	334,484	21,429			
White Lake	43	30	7	No	4,871	6,482	26,360	32,842	1,160	2,623	9,846	34,058	3,655	5,898			
Ministerial Members																	
Presbytery's Roll																	
Totals, Atlantic 265 160 15 4 36,785 6,482 287,531 294,013 110,505 19,176 34,209 113,856 277,746 53,052 541,067 104,791																	

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PRESBYTERY	Average Attend.		Balance		CYP	P	Sup. Aid		Total	Pastor's	Other		Total	Balance	Other	Pastor's
	Worship	Sab. Sch.	12/31/85	Presby.			Presby.	Presby.	Receipts	Salary	RPM & M	RP Works	Disb.	12/31/86	Assets	Sal-87
Iowa:																
Marion	15	15	Yes	12,414					20,283	14,001	200	1,410	20,538	12,159	23,339	14,417
Sharon	72	47	Yes	4,299					42,584	18,574	12,002	598	45,383	1,500	42,500	19,500
Washington	60	36	No	2,898					30,716	20,305		2,915	30,438	3,176	14,903	20,305
Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll																
Totals, Iowa	147	98	2	19,611	0				93,583	52,880	12,202	4,923	96,359	16,835	80,742	54,222
Midwest:																
Aurora	30	30	Yes	3,193					54,233	16,958	356	572	52,772	4,654		16,765
Clanfield	28	20	No	1,922					22,744	3,762	475	1,211	19,251	5,405	13,777	7,000
Colorado Springs	22	22	No	8,942	6,000				19,448	15,583	777	458	23,412	10,978	794	24,150
Denison	77	65	Yes	3,172					37,948	18,228	2,708	2,156	37,260	3,860	20,462	19,046
Greeley	27	20	Yes	1,530					32,675	12,903	286	4,231	32,997	1,208	35,800	17,000
Hays	35	31	No	1,049	2,000				29,706	22,525	913	1,130	32,558	197		19,200
Hebron	50	45	No	3,276					32,008	18,300	5,575	1,809	32,332	2,952	15,182	18,000
Lawrence	90	80	No	1,086					42,253	18,508		540	42,257	1,082	3,463	29,800
Minneapolis	30	30	Yes	2,551					47,576	18,400		1,593	27,896	2,238	20,132	18,400
Quinter	63	51	Yes	2,660					32,891	21,138	601	2,040	47,889			21,000
Shawnee	96	84	No	2,330					117,446	27,955	15,200	5,706	58,700	2,215	121,778	31,081
Stearling	77	56	No	29,319					53,249	25,179	10,000	3,504	16,786	55,469	29,894	26,830
Superior-Beulah	17	11	Yes	850	1,500				12,129	8,668	26	1,000	13,708	771	1,532	8,810
Topeka	108	77	Yes	50,630					91,111	18,629	20,988	6,168	46,376	92,161	49,580	14,900
Westminster	52	51	No	555					41,766	16,941	200	1,310	18,803	39,254	3,067	26,640
Winchester	62	40	Yes	366					46,128	19,760	5,105	2,208	17,906	44,979	1,515	21,334
Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll																
Totals, Midwest	864	713	39	8 113,431	9,500				713,311	285,467	63,210	35,636	719,648	116,594	274,793	319,956



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PRESBYTERY	Worship	Sabb. Sch.	CYPU	Parson.	12/31/85	Presby.	Balance	Sup. Aid	Total	Pastor's	Other	RPM & M	Other	Total	Balance	Other	Pastor's
									Receipts	Salary	Works			Disb.	12/31/86	Assets	Sal-87
<b>Ohio-Illinois:</b>																	
Belle Center	37	26	10	Yes	23,412		26,130		26,130	16,694	3,640	1,347	3,454	25,135	24,407	10,002	19,494
Bloomington	54	32	4	Yes	1,405		52,831		52,831	19,379	5,822	4,475	22,162	51,838	2,398	23,174	20,300
Columbus	50	35	4	No	2,367	1,000	47,977		46,977	27,066	2,000	1,587	18,388	49,061	2,283	1,379	28,952
C.F. Indpls.	15	15		(7)			14,713		14,713	12,392	25	385	1,375	14,177	529		12,992
Hetherton	24	11		Yes	3,106		16,588		16,588	7,211	1,619	1,182	3,920	13,932	5,762		
Oakdale	30	29		Yes	4,403		30,252		30,252	13,150	2,261	3,539	11,919	30,869	3,786		12,800
Ogemaw	29	23		No	(277)		21,761		21,761	17,579		1,245	2,463	21,287	197	1,259	18,380
Orlando	120	80	20	No	13,476		175,278		175,278	32,350	9,000	4,507	123,793	169,650	19,104		33,440
Second Indpls.	100	90		No	2,748		121,329		121,329	28,019	5,800	4,685	76,388	114,892	9,185	126,290	29,145
Salma	69	27		Yes	1,800		40,382		40,382	17,957	300	2,418	20,367	41,042	1,140	13,000	17,957
Southfield	33	24		Yes	50,981		42,716		42,716	7,726	3,855	7,326	16,816	35,723	57,974	10,000	21,200
Southside Indpls.	120	115		No	10,708		105,489		105,489	30,455	6,199	2,808	51,068	90,530	25,667		32,700
Sparta	40	40	7	Yes	26,392		54,295		54,295	20,491	5,228	1,742	15,866	43,327	37,360		20,925
West Lafayette	100	100		No	4,998	1,200	41,389		42,589	20,709	360	2,198	17,554	40,821	6,766	2,302	22,925
Chicago M.S.				No	68,037		12,978		12,978	28,680			4,527	33,207	47,808		30,466

## Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll

Totals, Ohio-Ill. 821 647 45 7 213,549 2,200 804,108 806,308 299,878 46,109 39,444 390,860 775,491 244,366 187,406 321,636

## Pacific Coast:

Anchorage	33	30	7	No	2,965	10,250	24,600		34,850	27,640	250	225	6,735	34,850	2,965		
Fresno	36	27		Yes	10,080		32,909		32,909	8,057	1,340	1,351	15,425	26,173	16,816		8,057
Los Angeles	120	100		No	14,515		61,411		61,411	26,476	6,504	6,525	34,394	73,899	2,027	69,254	27,476
Phoenix	30	20		No	2,289		90,353		90,353	32,025	4,000	1,062	27,118	64,205	28,437	3,734	35,262
San Diego	20	14		No	3,221		30,034		30,034	13,947	0	844	11,676	26,467	6,788	0	0
Santa Ana	84	65		No	509		16,988		16,988	11,733	1,300	0	4,344	17,377	120	201,851	11,800
Seattle			Yes	90,036			186,737		186,737	28,309	3,645	4,453	154,765	191,172	85,601	0	28,100

## Ministerial Members Presbytery's Roll

Totals, Pac. Coast 323 256 7 0 123,615 10,250 443,032 453,282 148,187 17,039 14,460 254,457 434,143 142,754 274,839 110,695



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		Worship Sab. Sch.		C.Y.P.U.		Parson.		12/31/85		Presby.		Total		Receipts		RPM & M RP Works		Total		Disb.		12/31/86		Assets		Sal - '87	

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